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STATE AFFAIRS.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

ALBANY, Thursday, March 22.

I want to enter a solemn protest against being set down as the author of the letter appearing in the TIMES this morning, dated "Albany," &c., and signed "J. B. S." Something of the ideas therein contained I confess to a knowledge of—but the language I beg to disclaim. An interested reader suggests that it must be the joint production of tired printers and a sleepy proof-reader, and I incline to adopt the suggestion—for certainly no one possessed of his entire faculties would ever pass such gross and obvious errors as crop out so profusely in this morning's paper. Please "reform it altogether," and oblige the unassigned.

(Our correspondent's indignation is excusable. He is, however, wholly in error when he attributes the mistakes he complains of to carelessness in our proof-reading department. His letter was carefully read in proof, but owing to one of those consternations of unusual occurrence which sometimes take place in morning newspaper offices, it was not corrected.—Ed.

It was "General Order" day in the House, and not a little accomplished.

An interruption to the regular business was the reception of a communication from the Ten Governors, thanking the Legislature for having complied with their invitation, and expressing regret that, by the unauthorized introduction of a ban upon the test employed by them, and the presence of improper persons who had forced themselves into the company, the pleasure of the visit was marred. When the communication was read,

Mr. BLATCHFORD said: I am happy, for one, to see that communication from the Ten Governors, and I move its reference to a select committee. In doing so, I hope the House will indulge me in saying that I feel, and I am sure the members of both Houses feel, the deepest gratitude to the Governors for the kindness and hospitality which they so generously extended to the Legislature, and not only for that, but especially for affording us an opportunity to visit those noble institutions of which the City of New-York is so justly proud. Great good cannot fail to come from that short visit. No man, Mr. Speaker, can visit these institutions without coming away a better man, with his heart enlarged and his sympathies expanded. In those institutions, crime is ameliorated, the suffering comforted, the friendless soothed, and helpless infancy protected, nourished and encouraged—the dumb almost made to speak, and the blind almost made to see.

I regret, Sir, that during that visit of the Legislature, anything should have occurred to mar, for a moment, the deep interest excited by what they, with so much satisfaction, witnessed. I regret, Sir, that on account of the Legislature as on account of the Governors themselves, who, I know, were filled with sorrow and mortification, that, by the conduct of a few unworthy and unprincipled individuals, the pleasure of the visit was interrupted, and disgrace attempted to be brought equally upon the Governors and upon the Legislature. But the effort was not successful. I know better, perhaps, than any other member of the House, how deep was the mortification of the Governors at the unhappy disturbance which occurred, and how earnest and decided, in the privacy of their council rooms, were their expressions of disapprobation and regret.

I regret, also, Sir, that there should be found a journal in New-York whose conductors could so far forget what was due to its own character and the character of the public press, as to wantonly slander the Legislature of the State. These slanders were grossly unfounded and utterly false.

But, Sir, the Legislature needs no defence at my hands. Their works speak for them. A Legislature which, I trust, will soon send forth from the walls of this Capitol that messenger of peace and angel of mercy, with healing in its wings, in the shape of that benevolent law which it is now considering for the amelioration of intemperance, pauperism and crime, needs no vindication at my hands from charges of the character to which I allude. That act, Sir, will be its enduring memorial, and its proud monument when the members who compose this Legislature shall be "gathered to their fathers."

It is proper, however, that I should say that the chief editor of the journal which has so scandalously slandered this Legislature was not in his place when these slanders were published. But I regret to know that others of his corps of editors were at home, and the mortification of the subject of misrepresentations published by them should extend to their account with shame.

But, Sir, it was not, I am told, any editor of that journal who penned these slanders, but a reporter; no, Sir, I will not do such injustice to that honorable profession as to call him by that name. It was no reporter—it was an eaves-dropper, who would meanly sneak around the halls of hotels, put his ear to the key holes of the rooms of members, and, catching the whispers of gentlemen at their moments of social intercourse, put forth their language, distorted or misapprehended, for no better purpose than to minister to the prurient and morbid taste of the low and vulgar.

It was not, Sir, formerly the course of the New-York Tribune to thus minister to such tastes. In doing so now, it has damaged its own character to a far greater extent than, in its utmost perversions of truth, it can possibly injure the characters of those whom it has so wrongfully assailed.

I repeat, Sir, that I regret the unfortunate circumstance referred to, and the publicity which has grown out of them, far more on account of the Ten Governors, than of the Legislature. In inviting the Legislature to visit the institutions under their charge, they were actuated by motives of the purest benevolence. Sir, I envy those Governors their responsible labors and their daily paths of charity, and envy them their noble duties by day, among the poor, the friendless and the distressed; and the peaceful recollections which must accompany them to their pillows at night.

Sir, I know the gentlemen who have the supervision of these benevolent institutions. I especially know and love the MAN (SIMEON DRAPER) who has been the presiding genius of that Board nearly the whole time since its organization. I love him for his many deeds of charity, for his unwearied, unostentatious, unpaid and unpretentious acts of benevolence. I love him for his noble form—the type and embodiment of all that is manly. I love him for his towering brow, his sweet cheerful smile, and for his soft and rolling eye, scarcely ever free from the moisture of a tear-drop—that unerring index of the soul that sits enthroned within; and he, Sir, is the model of the noble men who have been and still are his associates and co-laborers. I trust, Sir, that this communication will be referred to a select committee.

The communication was referred to a Select Committee to take such action thereon as may be deemed desirable.

ELECTION OF REGENT.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having been fixed for the election of a Regent of the University, at that time both Houses proceeded to declare their respective preferences. In the Senate the vote stood for:

Erastus C. Benedict	25	Benjamin F. Butler	2
Wm. J. McAlpine	17	James T. Brady	1
Benjamin R. Winthrop	10	Henry Ward Beecher	1
Joel T. Headley	3	Roswell S. Burrows	1
Kinsley Corning	2		

The two Houses meeting in joint convention, and it being ascertained that Mr. ERASTUS C. BENEDICT had received a majority of the votes in both Senate and Assembly, he was therefore declared duly elected. When Mr. BENEDICT is so well-known and appreciated as he is in the City of New-York, it would be presumptuous in me to embrace the theme of the Legislature.

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

In the Senate the Select Committee to whom was referred a petition relative to the duties of Commissioners of Emigration, reported by bill an Act to amend the several acts relating to the duties of the Commissioners of Emigration. It provides that in addition to the duties now imposed on the Commissioners of emigration, they shall deliver to each passenger a ticket, containing the name, age, &c., of the emigrant, the name of the vessel and master, the port from which she sailed, the date of sailing and arrival. Such ticket, authenticated by the oath of the emigrant, or other person knowing the facts therein, shall be prima facie evidence in any action, or claim by any poor officer, against the Commissioners of Emigration, or the master or owner, or any person employed by such officer for the relief or assistance of such emigrant. Section 5 of chapter 300 of the laws of 1851, is amended by striking out the words "upon which such passengers be entitled to vote and from the Commissioners of Emigration, after they shall have had six years, and been almost Gentlemen more than one year."

All current and reasonable expenses and charges incurred in the relief of emigrants, including medical attendance, shall be allowed and paid by the Commissioners of Emigration; and no such expense shall be allowed unless the same has passed within thirty days after the expenditure has been incurred. The Commissioners shall not upon all claims within twenty days after the same shall be presented.

The Commissioners of Emigration shall remit to the several counties all moneys which may be due to them for relief granted to emigrants within twenty days after the expiration of each quarter; in case of refusal or neglect to do so, the same may be enforced by suit against the Commissioners.

It is made the duty of the Commissioners to compel a correct return of the manifests of all emigrant vessels, which manifests shall be carefully preserved. The Commissioners shall make an annual report of the number of weeks' board provided by them for the relief of emigrants, and the average cost per week for such maintenance. They shall modify the laws of the State in relation to emigrants and their support, and the rules and regulations established by them for the guidance of persons having business with their office.

The provisions of section 1, chapter 180, of the laws of 1847, and as amended in 1852, shall apply to the masters and commanders, proprietors and managers of all vessels, boats, bridges, ferries or other modes of conveyance or communication, between the States and the British Provinces, and they shall be required to give the same securities or pay the same commutation for all emigrant passengers who shall have been landed at Quebec or elsewhere within such provinces, from any emigrant vessel, and first carrying into the State, as is required from emigrants landing in the City of New-York.

THE IMPROVEMENT OF ROADS ON THE ISTHMUS.

Mr. BROOKS introduced a bill to incorporate a company to be known as the "Chirigui Improvement Company," for the purpose of holding, improving, colonizing and working lands and mines within the province of Chirigui, in the Republic of New-Grenada, and for the further purpose of constructing and improving roads and erecting working houses, mills and manufactories thereon. The capital stock to be $2,000,000, in shares of $50 each. Samuel E. Johnson, Charles A. Stetson, Alexander McMillan, Wm. B. Foster, Ambrose W. Thompson, William Ward, J. Eugene Flandrin and J. A. Morrell are the Directors named.

A CONSUMPTION HOSPITAL.

Mr. BRADFORD this morning introduced a bill to provide for the incorporation of a Consumption Hospital in the City of New-York. ROBERT B. MINTURN, ZADOCK PRATT, HENRY GRINNELL, WILLIAM MILES, THOMAS D. ANDERSON, M. D., JAMES HARPER, ALONZO CHESTER, M. D., LUTHER BRADISH, JOHN C. GREEN, PETER COOPER and R. D. MORGAN are the Trustees named in the act. For the purpose named they are authorized to hold real estate in value not exceeding $200,000. The Trustees are required to receive under their charge all the cases of pulmonary consumption, or patients suffering from diseases of the air passages which may be assigned to them or their care by the authorities, either of counties or towns, and to give them proper medical treatment, and to charge the expense thereof to the said towns or counties.

AMENDING THE REVISED STATUTES A LITTLE MORE.

Mr. BISHOP introduced a bill to amend the Revised Statutes, so as to authorize constables to charge for serving a warrant or summons, twenty-five cents—for serving an execution ten cents on every dollar collected under $50—and five cents per dollar on every dollar above $50. For every mile (going only) more than one mile, when serving a summons, warrant, attachment or execution, ten cents, to be computed from the place of abode of the defendant, or where he should be found, to the places where the process is returnable.

THE CRYSTAL PALACE.

Mr. BROOKS introduced a bill to incorporate the "Crystal Palace Market Association." WILLIAM CRAUCHEY, WILLIAM WEBSTER, HENRY HILTON, CHARLES BUTLER, SIMEON DRAPER, JOHN F. TRUMBOWER and WILLIAM W. BROOM make up the body politic—the capital stock to be $250,000, with power to increase the same to $750,000. The object sought is to form the Crystal Palace into a great market for the sale of all kinds of provisions, and such other articles as are usually sold in and around the various markets belonging to the City of New-York. To rent by the day, week, or for longer period, space in said market, to any proper person or persons, who may desire to occupy the same, and offer for sale therein provisions or other articles usually sold in such places.

"And Alnwick 's but a market town,
* * * * * *
"And horses and drovers stop the way."

CHURCH TENURES.

Senator PUTNAM's bill regulating the tenure of Church property, was read a third time and passed—Ayes 27, Noes 4, as follows:

AYES—Messrs. Barnard, Bishop, Bradford, Brooks, Butler, Dayton, Dorlandus, Field, Fitzgerald, Hickman, Hopkins, Hutchins, Lamont, Lee, Pratt, Putnam, Richardson, Robertson, Sherrill, Spencer, Strong, Walker, Watkins, Wadsworth, Williams, Yates—28.

NAYS—Messrs. Burt, W. Clark, Crosby, Dickinson—4.

Senator CLARK, Soft, was absent from sickness, and Senator GOODWIN, Know-Nothing, for what reason I do not know. A motion was made to reconsider the vote, and that was lost by a decided majority—so that question is finished, so far as the Senate is concerned.

THE NOMINATIONS.

"After a storm comes a calm." Probably, you have heard something similar to that before I worked it. There was something of a storm yesterday, when it was known who had been nominated for Harbor Master—there is a calm to-day, now that the wind has gone down. What that calm means, whether it portends a whirlwind, or a lullaby, time has solely in his knowledge. "He is all right," says one—doubtless he wants to believe so; "It is the smothered volcano," says another, and he thinks he knows that about which he is uncertain. I'll take time before I decide between them. The almanac says, "Look for high winds about these days."

J. B. S.

ABOUT CINCINNATI.

Navigation—Politics in the City—The Maine Liquor Law—The Cultivation of the Grape.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

CINCINNATI, Friday, March 16, 1855.

In consequence of the severe rains which have visited us lately, and the thaw of snow, which was very heavy during the early part of the month, the river has risen rapidly and continues to encroach upon the shore. There has been one great difficulty which shipowners have had to contend with, and that is the water is so shallow that they could not approach the wharves. Strong efforts are now being made to get a law passed by the Common Council for the extension of the piers, which will obviate the difficulty.

The Know-Nothings are losing ground here as a political body. They have suffered defeat in Newport, a city opposite Cincinnati, while last year they had a large majority; and in this city the public opinion seems to have changed totally from that of last Fall—they will unquestionably be defeated here. The Maine Liquor Law is in force to a certain degree here. The Sunday traffic is totally suppressed. The bars are allowed to sell wines manufactured from the Catawba grape, and the Germans are allowed to drink *lager bier*. It was expected that if they were prohibited from drinking *bier* they would have drowned themselves in a little sudbole here, which they classically denominate the Rhine. The Burnett House, the best Hotel in the West, is being renovated and elegantly furnished. The brothers COLEMAN are increasing in popularity as hotel caterers.

The grape-growing continues to increase as a means of trade, and Cincinnati will no doubt eventually become the vineyard of the world, especially since the crops in France have become shortened. Brandy, of a fine quality, is manufactured from the Catawba grape, as well as that elegant Catawba wine.

CHILDE HAROLD.

Three More Drowned.

The sloop *Jonas Smith*, from New-York to Upper Closter, on Tuesday, when near Yonkers violently capsized and sunk. Only one man escaped, (WILLIAM PARRY.) NICHOLAS GARY, THOMAS BRODERICK and PATRICK —— were drowned. The bodies of the two last mentioned have not yet been recovered.

THE POOLE MURDER.

Councilman Kerrigan brought up on a Habeas Corpus and Bailed Out.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—IN CHAMBERS—Mar. 21

Before Hon. Judge Woodruff.

Councilman Kerrigan was brought up before this Court on a writ of habeas corpus. The question as to his discharge was argued at much length between his counsel, Mr. Nash, and the District Attorney for the prosecution. It was eventually decided by the Court that the matter would be postponed until Saturday next, in order to give the City Judge an opportunity of pursuing his investigations in the interval; after which the Court stated its intention to take into consideration the facts of the case, and determine on his retention or dismissal.

Subsequently, counsel for the prisoner asked that the $10,000 bail, as named by Judge STUART, might be one half, as he was unable to procure any larger amount. The motion was finally referred back to Judge STUART, and, by consent of the District Attorney, the City Judge admitted the Councilman to bail in the sum of $5,000. A stage proprietor named HENRY MURPHY became the bondsman for Mr. KERRIGAN, to answer any indictment that might be found against him.

The Arrest of Baker—Action by the Board of Aldermen.

Last evening, in the Board of Aldermen, the matter of the arrest of BAKER, and appropriating $5,000 for his apprehension, was brought up on motion of Alderman BRIGGS, that the Board recede from its former action, and appoint a Committee of Conference to confer with the Committee of the Board of Councilmen, with view to concur in the adoption of the preamble and resolutions as originally offered.

Alderman VOORHIS opposed concurrence with the Board of Councilmen. He could not see any reason why they should recede from their former action. If BAKER was aboard of the *Isabella Jewett*, the $5,000 proposed for his arrest would be ineffective toward accomplishing such an end. The officers dispatched for him on the *Gripsecker* are bound to catch him if they can. The Board of Supervisors complain of the heavy expenses of the Police Department, and it becomes us to lighten such expenses if possible, and not augment them, especially by any additional appropriations when there is a question of increased benefit accruing from such appropriation. At this stage of the proceeding there is such question in offering any additional reward for the arrest of BAKER. He will unquestionably be taken if on his way to the Canary Islands, and the additional reward will not help it. If he is hid here, or near here, by any policeman, as alleged, I am totally opposed to their getting any $5,000 for giving him up. I have a reason to say about the murder of POOLE. It is called a cold-blooded murder. I think it was a hot-blooded murder. The participants in that tragedy went there with a pre-concerted plan to murder, and accomplished their end. The report that it was a parcel of Irish rowdies who did it is untrue. With the exception of two, they were all Americans. POOLE said he "died a true American." I wished he could have said he lived a true American. What was his life—what was his conduct in Primary Elections? But he not will himself to escape political damnation, was this true American? I contend it was the Whig party who did the work of killing him. When POOLE came to the City he joined with the Democratic party and under them learned to fight. But rowdyism putting down the Democratic majority in his Ward he went over to the Whigs—bought of course—and the Whig party, by his and other rowdies' help, went up and gained the ascendency. And what did he do at the last election? His power was fair. He helped the nominated candidates and made others whistle to the tune he chose to play—and was paid for it $10,000. Even His Honor the Mayor himself acknowledges the sum that he was indebted for his election to Bill POOLE more than ex post facto—the Whig party—Bill POOLE and the whole list connected with the Sixteenth Ward tragedy, did not destroy themselves, like the Kilkenny cats. I don't wish, however, to be misunderstood. I am not desirous why man should be murdered. I am not desirous that the loss of such men as POOLE should be felt by the City of Angels. What transpired at the Polls of the City of Angels, I know nothing of. He was not arrested several times, but always been escaped punishment. Once in the Ninth Ward he made a most brutal attack upon a man and received one of his same out, before Judge STUART which he was Police Justice; but he was let off, and Police Justice STUART was a party to a curious stratagem for his release. He dined and feasted with him at Barnerkenoop, and suffered no penalty for his brutality. I say, there is no encouragement in arresting such a man. I resist the Alderman of the Thirteenth Ward (Alderman BRIGGS) will find something better to build his Americanism upon than anything connected with the murder of Bill POOLE. All I can say is, if Bill POOLE died, as says Mr. WAKELY, happy, I am glad of it. I trust he is better off now. We are certainly better off without him. I don't believe in Judge STUART's making such compromise proceeding of what he is going to do, and this, that and the other. As for the reward, I think $500 enough. I see no necessity of a Committee of Conference.

Alderman WARDMAN said he considered the remarks of the Alderman of the Ninth Ward mainly irrelevant to the point at issue. As to his allusions to Judge STUART, he thought them out of place. For his own part, he believed Judge STUART had, in this entire matter, been actuated only by an earnest desire to accomplish oneness, and that was the arrest of BAKER, and not from any motive of self-glory or aggrandisement. As for the immediate question under consideration, in his view, the question to be raised was not the character of this man or that man, but it was a question in which was involved public security. A most flagrant murder had been barbarously committed. We don't know when we are safe. To there our own safety and that of our fellow citizens should be the paramount question. The expenditure of a few thousand dollars is of no consequence compared with the ultimate end aimed at. I wish to arrest BAKER not because he is BAKER or because he killed Bill POOLE, but to let the community learn that iniquity cannot go unpunished. I hope there will be a concession from the Board on the action of the Board, and that we will concur with the other Board.

Alderman BRIGGS repudiated the idea that he was attempting to bind up any Americanism—as the gentleman of the Ninth expressed it—in the course he had taken relative to the matter in question. He was in favor of hitting a dead man root. It was plausible the Aldermen of the Ninth Ward, in his remarks against POOLE, might be actuated by some old animosity as they both belonged to the same Ward. Instead of $5,000, as proposed for the arrest of BAKER, he would vote to make it $10,000; $500 would not pay the expenses of two smart men to go to New-Orleans. He would catch BAKER if he was in the United States, or in the world, and string him up.

Alderman Wm. TUCKER spoke against concurrence. The Mayor, he said, was at the head of the Police, and had the necessary authority to expend whatever amount he deemed necessary for the arrest of fugitive criminals. Whatever bills might accrue in his present effort to catch BAKER, he should cheerfully vote to pay; these bills, he had no doubt, would reach a higher figure than $5,000.

Alderman ELY said he believed BAKER was not five miles from the City Hall. If the appropriation proposed was made it would establish a precedent fatal to the ends of justice. No one would be arrested until the offence of a large reward was brought to bear. He believed the manner of making an appropriation, of $5,000 for BAKER's arrest was for a sinister purpose. Some one of State parties were anxious to get the amount, and were working for it. He was in favor of rewarding after the work was done.

The vote to concur being taken, was lost. Ayes 4, Noes 18.

BAKER NOT HERE AT LEWISTON.

The story that BAKER was seen at Lewiston on the Canada line, seems by the following communication from a Buffalo police officer to the Mayor's Marshal, to have been a mere hoax:

WILLIAM H. SPENCER, Esq.—*Dear Sir*: You have undoubtedly heard of BAKER, the murderer, being in Lewiston, near the landing of the Toronto boats. The story created quite a stir in this city on Monday of this week. I have this day (Tuesday) taken a trip to Lewiston, and found the whole matter a hoax, played by C. D. Rice, the "Jim Crow" comedian, on the community at Lewiston, and a youngster of this city who was at Lewiston at the time. I was told this by an officer at that place who was requested by the young man of this city to help receive BAKER, and then other search had been made, and just on the boat was to leave the dock for Toronto, "Jim Crow" informed the officer of the hoax, but said it is a joke. The whole matter made quite waves in this city for some time.

Respectfully, Yours, B. TOLER.

FIRE AT BINGHAMTON.

A fire broke out at Fishkill, on 16th instant. The factory of GARDNER & CO. and the drying and dyeing houses were burnt to the ground. The loss is about $3,000. Covered by insurance.

A BUSINESS MAN.—A commercial gentleman recently arrived at Niagara Falls just before midnight. He immediately bought a globe lantern, carried it down upon the Canadian side, and, in thirty-seven minutes had dashed up the great American wonder, and was once more on his way to Albany.

A French View of the Policy of the Western Powers—Moral Strategy.

From the Paris Siècle, Feb. 22.

To besiege Sebastopol with all the resources that science has placed at the command of military powers, to equip fleets, to raise armies, to blockade ports, to form batteries, to draw lines of circumvallation, to direct, to govern, and to manœuvre battalions,—in a word, to attack the Russian power as France and England have for the past year attacked it, is undoubtedly much; and there are none who refuse to applaud this heroic effort, and this hardy enterprise. But have the two great nations, who in a gigantic way this day sustain the cause of civilization, employed against the common enemy all the moral forces at their command?

Our steamships, our foundries, our manufactures, and our docks, are incessantly furnishing cannon, fire-arms, shells, vessels and ambulances. There is nothing more admirable, and yet more sad, than this prodigious activity of the powers of production applied to the purposes of war. Whence springs this prodigality of treasure, this lavish out-pouring of blood? It is because a single man chooses to provoke these upheavings, and to erect his ambition as a barrier in the track of human progress. This fact exists; therefore it exists for some wise purpose of the Almighty. That purpose is, Progress. A magnificent social progress will go forth from this struggle, as the water long pent up in subterranean pipes owes to that confinement its bursting forth in dazzling jets to the light of the sun. This progress will be the disenthralment of the Russian people, the abolition of Slavery in Eastern Europe, and in the antique Asiatic world.

The Governments of France and England have done all that it was possible to do to bring to a happy issue the just war that they have undertaken; but they have not sufficiently used one weapon of offence, and that one too which is the chief object of the war. The Russian people are ignorant of our purpose, and of our wish to set them free. This they ought to know.

However ignorant and brutalized, however oppressed they may be, it is indispensable that this people should see in us their deliverer. How is it possible that they should regard us in this light unless we address ourselves to them?

Yes, the cannon, the mortar and the dauntless regiments are all indispensable elements of success. But there is a nobler element; it is a weapon swifter than the cannon ball, more piercing than the bayonet, more certain than the course of the projected shell. It is an idea, a principle. Why is, it that this invincible weapon has been neglected?

The Convention, with its fourteen armies, would never have triumphed over all Europe without this formidable power of an idea, and NAPOLEON himself, who trusted so much in his genius and his star, failed not to make use of it. At the very moment when he compelled kings to become his retinue, he boldly proclaimed in the face of the nations whose conquest he prepared, the oldest child of the revolution. And he was true to his word—his first care after victory was to free the serf and abolish the feudal laws.

France and England, in the glorious crusade that they have undertaken, are the standard-bearers of the world's liberty, and of universal civilization. Are the people of Russia their enemy? By no means. Let them not, then, fear to declare it, and they will give to the Emperor NICHOLAS the heaviest blow that he has yet received.

Whether we wish it or not, the present war is national; it is popular because it is solely directed, not against a nation, nor against an individual, but against a principle; against the principle of Absolutism, which now offers its last and decisive battle. We detest the Czar, only because in him are incarnated all the ideas, all the privileges, and all the abuses of the past. Apart from this, the Russian name awakens no animosity. The superior classes of Russia are French in their language, in their manners, in their intelligence, and in the decided taste for our literature and arts. As to the Russian serfs, not a lash of the knout falls upon their backs which does not bruise the fibres of our hearts. It is not, then, necessary to refrain from saying it. It is not Turkey alone that we succor at this moment. It is the disenthralment of fifty millions of people that we prepare. It is from this point of view that the war becomes glorious and grand.

And, without this, where and what will be our guarantee? Apart from these we indicate, we defy all the diplomatists of Europe to find a single one that would prove firm and lasting. Shall it be, while as the price of our succor we demand of Turkey that she shall each day take a fresh step in the way of wise reform, that, face to face with our enemy, we will content ourselves simply with material guarantees? What matter a fleet burned, a fortress destroyed, or an army beaten, to a sovereign who disposes, as absolute master, of the resources of an immense empire? We shall act as children, indeed, if we content ourselves with plucking a few feathers from the Muscovite eagle. It is necessary to clip his strong talons, and, to that end, free from all unmanly fear, we must boldly proclaim that, by arms or by treaty, it is the wish of France and England to enforce the abolition of serfdom throughout the whole extent of the Russian empire.

England, who pursues commerce so untiringly, who imposes upon those whom industry makes her vassals the essential condition of abolishing Slavery—England, without doubt, meditates the disenthralment of the serfs. Let us not, then, relinquish to our neighbors the honor of this noble initiative.

Why does the Russian aspire to pitch his tent in more fortunate lands? It is not because his own climate is wintry, but because in that wintry clime he lives poor and plundered, oppressed and trodden under foot. He is in distress in his own home—he naturally seeks to forsake it. And the Czar succeeds in making the war popular among the people only by causing to gleam before their vision the sun of Constantinople; and, by exciting in them dreams of liberty and plenty. Should we prove victorious to-morrow, and leave serfdom existing in Russia, in a given period it would be necessary to recommence the war, for the torrent will follow its natural flow. Russia will seize every opportunity to escape from a misery at once moral and material. The war will then be eternal, blood will be perpetually flowing, and treasure be perpetually wasting, unless we boldly adopt a policy in favor of liberty and progress—unless we engage in the war at once the thunder of cannon and the power of principle.

The Russians are many ages in the rear of the march of humanity. They stand to-day where we *stood in the middle ages. Then, bowed beneath the* yoke of our feudal boyars, with a corrupt clergy; shut out from industry and education, our fathers were, as are the Russians now, ever ready to invade the more fertile and better cultivated territories of their neighbors.

The day at last came to us when feudality and its privileges fell to the ground, when free labor banished misery, and when equality was inscribed among our laws. Let us aid the Russians to achieve what we have achieved. In the name of the Gospel and of civilization, let us offer them our hand. Let us give to them agriculture and industry, that they may be taught of us how the severities of climate can be subdued. Above all, let us give them liberty! Liberty—without which country is not a name. Then the Russians will be to us no longer a source of dread. When liberty shall have enabled her to conquer her place in the European family, she will, in her turn, become the apostle and missionary of civilization. She will then go for Northern and Central Asia, what we do for her this day. She will go forth, sword in hand, to the work of emancipation.

In this point of view, the mission of Russia is magnificent. But she will become conscious of that mission only when Western Europe shall have conquered and disenthralled her. Then only will she be able to organize immense railway undertakings, and direct them towards China and Japan, which she already touches along Siberia and Kamschatka. It will be by blending herself with those antique nations, that she will, in communicating their social elements, complete her own, and thus repay the debt due to Europe, her deliverer.

But this belongs to the future, and it is the present that concerns us. We claim that even the Western Powers by proclaiming that they are fighting for the emancipation of the Russian serfs, the serfs of the Czar by their side, the serfs of Turkey, struck a terrible blow. Unfortunately our governments

TERRIBLE COAL PIT EXPLOSION.

Thirty-four Persons Killed, and Twelve Others so Badly Burned that but Few of Them can Recover.

From the Richmond Dispatch of Wednesday.

A terrible explosion occurred at the Middlesboro Coal Pits, in Chesterfield County, about thirteen miles north of this city, on Monday evening last, at 6 o'clock, by which thirty-four persons were instantly killed, and a number of others so badly burned that little or no hopes are entertained of their recovery. Up to the very moment of the accident, the operations of the pit had proceeded in the usual way, and the miners had not a particle of foul air about them, and Mr. JOHN ATKINS, the agent, looked upon the pits as being so entirely free from danger, that he declared to us that he would not have hesitated to take his family into them to remain. Even now, the cause of the explosion is entirely hid in mystery, and must ever remain so, though Mr. ATKINS believes to the opinion that it was caused by a spark, or coal dust which was in the pit, being ignited, and swept as a blaze of destruction through the various avenues, during which time, with the exception of the explosion, there was not a sound heard.

The explosion, it appears, took place about the south, for miles around the pits, he were and rent as a twig in the wind. One person, who was crossing the railroad, about a mile from the pits at the time, said he felt the rails rent under him; and another, who was passing the pits on horseback, declared that the horse staggered and trembled, as if suddenly startled by a tremendous galvanic battery. The explosion produced the shocks were felt for miles around, and at the western shaft, two large chains were broken in two as easily as if they had been pipe stems. At the time of the explosion there were about twenty men at work on the top of the western shaft, some half-way down, and others at the bottom, some twenty-five feet above the ground. One of them was on the top of the shaft, and was thrown off by the force of the explosion, and he declared that he was not injured, but he said he felt as if he had been struck with a sledge hammer, and was thrown from the top of the shaft, a distance of twenty-five feet, and was then carried down with the rubbish, and was buried up to his waist in the debris, and was only saved from being suffocated by the exertions of his fellow-workmen in another pit, who came to the rescue, and had worked back to the old pit, without being crushed by it, and succeeding in a few hours in getting out. The two pits were blown through, the one well between the two pits was blown through, and the rubbish was thrown in, making into where the workmen were engaged and exploding. The final effects of the explosion were not ascertained at first, but it soon was ascertained that the pit was instantly strewed with the dead and the dying. The accident occurred at 5½ o'clock, Monday afternoon, and directly the smoke had cleared away sufficiently, from the smoke of the shafts to allow the men to run down, and to the victims it was done. During the rest of the night the bodies were taken out, and the larger part were carried to their homes, some of them a long distance.

The mines at the Company's Hospital were repaired. The process were crowded with interest from the hospital that their dear friends were there, and many of them had not recognized them. The surgeon was so disfigured that but for their hair they could not have been distinguished from white men. In one case the hair was entirely burned from their heads. All that of the patients would die they were removed from the building and outhouse.

The case of JOHN HOWE, one of the victims mentioned, presented an instance of unusual fatality. Up to the day of the explosion, he had been in the habit of working at night in the mines, and on the day that occurred, had commenced working in the pits in the day time.

From an old negro miner, named JOHN GRAY, we gathered an account of the explosion as it was seen by side of the pit. GRAY and his partner were working on what is called the North Level of the mine, when you came to them and harvested their implements, the blasting, saying that they were about to go out of a blast. The boys were blown out, and GRAY, with the other, the men cried out to them to be on the level, and they were about setting off the blast. The explosion of the blast followed, and was succeeded by a rushing sound. GRAY upon looking, saw a solid column of flame passing long from the place where the men had been, and covering his face with his hands, blown down, and was carried down by the force of the explosion, and was carried down by the force of the explosion, and was carried down by the force of the explosion

BOSS TINTO IN FLORENCE.

[Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.]

FLORENCE, SATURDAY, JAN. 20, 1855.

We have had a snow-storm here, down in the valley of Florence, after the most approved Alpine fashion—three feet in one night, and then melting away the next. As if to render the marvel of Italian snow still more marvelous, roses peep out in full bloom from its midst, and olive trees laden with ripened fruit groan under the weight of the wintry visitant. To the penniless and laborious ragazzi that hawk of Florence, the snow was a great godsend and a precious windfall, for they were at once enrolled into improvised companies of street-sweepers. Being required to furnish their own implements, they present every possible and impossible tool and utensil into the unusual service. One had a dustpan, more used to cools than snow; another a palisade, with which he beleaguered scurvy little collections, soft as floss silk and yielding as whipped cream; another had a spade, with which he scooped and scraped into piles; and a forth took a bundle of faggots, stuck a stick into it, and called it a broom. The astonishing heat worked faster than the snow fell, and had it all in heaps by noon. Each man's wages was one paul, or ten cents nearly, and he was very glad of the chance to earn so much money. The next day's duty was to convey the snow, in little donkey carts, to the Arno, and there top it over the walls into the river. This done, they all repaired to the municipal palace to be paid off. The municipality actually settled the account of 300 men for two days' work with ready silver down! But the same job remains to be done over again to-morrow, for it is melting again violently, quite as fast as I ever saw snow fall in America. The mails are in admirable confusion; nothing comes regularly but Mansennaro's dispatches, and we have in this way dates very nearly as late from the Crimea as from Paris.

As I look from my window, I see a sculptor engaged upon a snow-man. He is building him upon a pedestal and in a niche afforded by a sort of pavilion in the garden. The figure is of full size, and represents an officer of Hussars. I cannot tell, owing to the absence of color in the uniform, whether he is an Austrian or an Italian; perhaps I may discover, somewhat later, by the manner in which he treats him. He will put some indignity on him if he means him for an Austrian, though from the care bestowed upon the buttons and other details of his equipment, I imagine he is intended for a countryman. The snow-statue is so skillfully wrought, that in dark you might take it for plaster, and by moonlight for marble. When I came to Italy, it was not in the expectation of witnessing works of art carved in this hypocritical material. Probably when I visit Spitzbergen, I shall find bananas growing in the clefts of icebergs, and the monotony of the frozen landscape broken by cases of dates and cocoa-nuts.

Of course, with the snow comes an increased degree of cold, and an aggravation of the miseries of the poor of the city. The poverty and destitution in Florence are really frightful, and though I am no more in the way of seeing it here than elsewhere, I have never before heard of or witnessed such absolute want among the lower classes, and such painful efforts to keep up appearances and present a decent exterior, among those apparently more well-to-do. There is a professor of thorough bass here, the most scientific harpocrat in Italy, who, last Winter, lived, with his wife, upon five cents a day! This trade of teaching is quite a ruinous one in one respect: the master is obliged to conform to the ridiculously low scale of prices in vogue, and at the same time dress in a style far beyond his means. An accompanyist, for instance, earns 10 cents a lesson, thus making at the outside 50 or 60 cents a day—wages which would become a smock frock and wooden shoes; yet he must appear in black hat in boots, and be a decent parlor companion in attire and externals. If a person in circumstances like these, over by sickness or from any other cause gets behind hand, he slides at once into positive beggary. A painter came yesterday to the house of an American for whom he had formerly worked, bringing with him a number of pictures, begging him to take them, or a part of them, and at what price he pleased, as he had pressing need of money. The gentleman declined purchasing, as he was overrun with paintings already. "Then," said the other, "pray lend me five pauls and keep what you please in pledge, for I am actually starving!" I saw yesterday, too, an artist sell for six dollars, a copy which had cost him a month's labor, and for which he asked thirty dollars—or a dollar a day. "Take it," he said. "I must accept what I can get, for my family is gaunt with hunger." If these were isolated and exceptional cases, they would be of no import, for they happen in all countries, but here they are of daily and repeated occurrence. And the most melancholy feature of the case is, that there is no help for it, in the present state of the country: the poverty and distress of the people flow directly from the exhaustion of the race. Age has enfeebled their character, century of their ambition, and sapped both bodily and mental energy. There is nothing left for the country but renewal by revolution, or the baptism of blood.

The diligences and malle-poste must have had a severe time upon the mountains last night, for when it snows in the valley, the weather among the peaks and elevations is quite indescribable. One of the passengers in the stage for Bologna, among the Apennines, was a girl of 19, with two operas in her carpet-bag, on her way to make her first appearance on any stage. Rossini, her professor, one of the first teachers in Italy, was bidding her good-bye. When the diligence had gone, he said, with almost a tear in his eye: "Poor thing! she must sing to-morrow night, or forfeit her engagement, and she is already sick with a cold, that a night in the mountains won't cure. Poor child!" Probably, if she sang with effect and broke down, all the gentlemen in the audience kissed.

Having mentioned Rossini, I may give another illustration of the difference of price existing between Italy and other countries. Rossini has a dollar an hour for his lessons. Cimpanelli, the tenor, asked the same price while he remained here. But he has lately received a guinea a lesson; neither more nor less. This is a difference of five to one, and is perhaps the most striking example of the cheapness of Italy that can be found—except the case of a glass of syrup and water inside a theatre, two cents here and fifteen in Paris—never to cure.

A Sunday diligence arrived in this Italian capital every Paris, so that here your servant takes your part, while there he or she invariably sides with the tradesmen and market people, in case of any trouble between you and them. I never shall forget my chuckle when in Florence I found myself protected from extortion and advised disinterestedly in the matter of price, in a quarter where from long habit I had expected pillage and collusion. "Offer 'em half what they ask, Sir, out here, as a general rule." I was bargaining for a Leghorn hat, some fifty miles from Leghorn, and found the "general rule" to work with admirable precision. Somewhat later the astute authority said: "The wood man's a cheating us, *Sir*, (mark the *us*;) you or I must go and see the next load measured. We must look out for *questa gente*,"—these people. In Paris the servants, so far from alluding to shop-keepers and fuel merchants in this manner, reverse the operation, and conjointly with the grocers and small dealers generally, speak of the whole race of masters and employers as *ces gens-là*, those people. The idea of sending a servant in Paris to see the wood weighed or the coal measured, would be simply ridiculous. He would urge the measurer to make a bigger gouge than usual, promising silence for half the profits. I have found, however, here, that to send a servant is to all intents and purposes equivalent to going oneself. The wood-pile is certainly bigger, and promises to last longer. A Paris servant is your enemy; while in Florence, so far as I have found, the servant feels as one of the family, and those that have resided in the country long enough to pronounce an opinion worth repeating, say of him that he approaches the intimate nigger of America—the household Pompey and fireside Cæsar of New-England.

But if it is cheap and convenient, Florence is scandalous, and loves chit-chat and tittle tattle, to an inordinate extent. That is, Florence, as seen and experienced by the Americans, who, forming a community apart from the Italians, of about 300 souls, occupy, interest and amuse themselves vastly with each other's concerns. The 100,000 Italians being eliminated as presenting no particular attractions, it is evident that Florence is a small American village of 300 inhabitants. Each individual is naturally of more importance and a subject of more gossip than he would be in a village of the same size at home—from the fact that he has the means to travel and reside in Europe, and that he has had experience and seen the world, and makes generally a bigger mark than at home. He sticks out from the ground-work of Italians like a massive and protuberant *basso relievo*. He is a topic of constant conversation among his countrymen. If he buys a dozen oranges and has them sent home, all the rest wonder if he is to have dinner company. This tattle, which is for the most part harmless, is sometimes ill-natured, and as often injurious and unjust. There are persons here who are the chosen victims of persecution—and I remember to have seen, some years ago in Paris, a family driven away from Florence by calumny. Still, the American colony is far more respectable than the English, and such of the latter as are really worthy people, prefer the American circle to their own.

Anecdotes of Americans in Europe abound here. I have made notes of a quantity, for private circulation only, as they are too personal to publish. But a capital book, one highly illustrative of national manners, might be made upon the subject and under the title of "The American Bearer of Dispatches upon the Continent;" the volume to contain a narrative of the honors and attentions claimed by the distinguished Cabinet Courier in question, and to conclude with his arrest in Austria on the charge of having socialist manifestoes in the guise of dispatches. To prove his innocence, he is forced to declare and to show that his dispatches consist of nothing but a private letter to Miss STOCKWELL in Rome, forwarded by the Embassy, and an old number of the *Presse*, to give the bundle bulk. Or else, taking a wide range, the volume might be called "The Titled American in Europe," and give stories of our numerous Generals, Colonels, and other militia (but taken for military) dignitaries abroad. The General, if ever plumply asked the question, whether he belongs to the army or to the National Guard, usually says the army. The famous Judge, so called from his having been umpire in a cock fight, passes for a Judge of the Supreme Court, invariably. Your ex-President moves noiselessly and unostentatiously, while your bogus great man, armed with a spurious prefix or bolstered up by brown paper dispatches, swells it over the Continent like the Nassau balloon. The *London News* is clamoring for a British Legion of Honor: do take up the cudgels for an American hierarchy of nobility. No one sports a title with more gusto than an American; no one is more ready to claim attentions in behalf of it, or to insist upon the respect due to it; but for heaven's sake let the title be legitimate, the dispatches genuine, and the assumption justifiable.

The "Sayings of Americans in Europe" might form an amusing duodecimo. Such as for instance: When LOUIS PHILIPPE said to the Kentuckian that he had seen in Kentucky people sleeping three in a bed, he replied, "Well, they think two's enough now!" Upon the presentation of a gentleman to LOUIS NAPOLEON, he said, "I was in Europe, Sire, when your illustrious father was on the throne!" Upon the introduction of one of our young militia officers to the Duke of WELLINGTON, the Duke remarked, "You are rather young, Sir, to have acquired that grade;" to which the other replied, "I am just the age your Grace was at Waterloo!" Nothing could have been better than this rejoinder; history saith not, I believe, whether the Duke pursued the conversation after this repulse. Let some capable person come to Europe and collect the annals of his countrymen abroad, and with the aid of a few sketchey illustrations, he might get up a book that would delight two hemispheres and produce a very healthy effect besides. I will engage for my part to furnish the history of the King of Saxony, incognito, and the confidential agent of the United States Cabinet—a history, by the way, which ought to be told by THACKERAY and embellished by CRUIKSHANK.

And now allow me six lines of your space to refer to a purely private affair, and acknowledge the receipt this morning of a package and letter from New-York, dated Oct. 20, and brought by private hand. Such bearers of dispatches as these I honor and esteem. What would I give to be in New-York! And what a simpleton I was to protest to the Editor of the TIMES that if he would let me spend the Winter in Italy I would not quit Paris again for three years! However, I never heard before of a correspondent putting things of this sort into print.

DICK TINTO.

EVAS SABBATH'S *Fourth Reader* has passed to the third thousand—ample success that; but it deserves it. Within and without, intrinsically and extrinsically, it is a good specimen of printing. PERKINS, SAMPSON & Co., of Boston, publish it.

THE STORY OF A CONVENT.

Its Foundation and Location.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

All the religious world has been lately stirred up by the final settlement, after divers centuries of doubts and controversies, of the question concerning the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary; and there is presently a rumor afloat, (whether founded or not, I am unable to affirm,) to the effect that these United States are soon to partake of the benefits and blessings of holy images, weeping and winking Madonnas and sacred relics: among the latter one of the sleeves of the holy coat, (the good, devout people from Treves being unwilling to part with the whole,) etc., of which ever-happy Europe has enjoyed hitherto exclusive monopoly. Under these circumstances it would perhaps not be uninteresting to many of the readers of your liberal and valuable paper, to get some peeping into the ways and means by which, on the other side of the Atlantic, miracles are started, and country girls of very questionable character and chastity are converted into immaculate saints and prophetesses, to the highest glory of God, religion and her humble servants and ministers! The very extraordinary facts which I am going to disclose, and which will seem incredible to many persons, being derived from close, personal observation upon the spot for many years, *may be relied upon as entirely founded, and by no means over-colored.*

In the northeastern part of France, in the ancient province of Basse Alsace, forming to-day the department of the Lower Rhine, at the foot of the chain of mountains called the Vorges, lies the small town of Niederbronn, celebrated for its mineral springs and bath establishment, which attract every season a great number of *baigneurs* belonging to the fashionable, health and pleasure-seeking people from France and foreign countries. Its antique existence dates back to the ancient Romans, whose legions, headed by CÆSAR, trod its soil two thousand years ago, and whose stay in the country is attested by the ruins of an ancient pagan temple, dedicated to the god Mercury, still standing on the summit of one of the mountains which overlook the town. In this quasi-historical, picturesque spot lived, about ten years ago, a simple, uneducated peasant girl, called ELIZABETH EPPINGER, or *Wechselesse*, according to the German jargon of the country people. Being a member of the Roman Catholic Church, she was nevertheless remarkable for neither exalted piety nor bigoted pendery, and was enjoying rather the repute of a damsel, like her sisters, of very loose morals and strongly suspected chastity. As she always complained of ill-health, she never, or at least seldom, assisted her parents in their rude field labors. One fine morning the news spread through the country that the EPPINGER's girl had retired from this sinful world and confined herself to her room, to devote herself entirely to the service of God and the Holy Virgin. There in her lonely cell she resolved, during several years, the daily, uninterrupted visits of her pious confessor, Rev. Father REICHHARDT, the curate of the community, who, thus in the midst of solitude and secrecy, instructed and prepared his amiable pupil for that pious game, which she afterwards played so successfully to the greatest glory and benefit of her and himself! The more than indiscreet conduct of Father REICHHARDT, whose secret, real purpose was then unknown, drew upon him the severest blame of the intelligent portion of the Catholic community, and the sarcasms and jeers of the Protestants, who form about half the Niederbronner population. Such was the state of things, when in February, 1848, LOUIS PHILIPPE's throne was upset, and the French Republic proclaimed for the second time. And lo! behold the marvelous coincidence. This was also the moment chosen by the Holy Virgin, in her infinite wisdom and solicitude, to let shine before all the world the hitherto hidden graces and virtues of her new pupil, ELIZABETH EPPINGER *alias Wechselesse!* There resounded through "all Judea" the most extraordinary, the most startling, the most marvelous tidings, (as Madame DE SEVIGNE would say,) that the EPPINGER's girl had suddenly turned *a seer, a prophetess, an immaculate saint*, through the graces of the Virgin Mary, who had appeared to her clouded with heavenly glory, and endowed the holy girl with the divine gift of foretelling future events,—as she had already foretold, more than two years ago, to a small circle of fidels, the recent revolution in Paris, and many other private and public events, which had all happened exactly to the point,—and is presently predicting the future consequences and issues of that momentous revolution, the knowledge of which, nevertheless, *was to be kept concealed for the moment from the minds of a profane multitude!*

As may be well expected, there was a universal, intense excitement throughout the country and its environs; the ignorant multitude of fidels, stoutly believing in this new miracle, as they always do, rushed with fervent eagerness to the cell of the holy prophetess. The enlightened portion of the Catholics shrugged their shoulders and felt indignant. The Protestants sneered, and asked what play was to come next. As for the town's boys, they kept up an incessant, rolling fire of sarcasms and *bons mots*, they pretending to know better about the matter of Immaculation of the new Saint, than the Holy Virgin herself!

However, in spite of all obstacles, the fame of *the holy Seer* from Niederbronn, as father REICHHARDT liked to have her christened, spread soon everywhere, increasing in geometrical progression as it advanced towards the more distant Catholic countries; there was a never diminishing crowd of devout people, from near and far, belonging to the lowest and highest classes of society, from the ragged beggar, hardworking people, men, women and children, crowding the streets and avenues, to ladies and gentlemen of high social rank, besieging all day the ante-chamber of the wonder-girl, and patiently waiting for their turn of admission! All left full of faith and pious admiration, and, of course, nobody *came with empty hands*; the altar of the Saint was soon overloaded with gifts and costly presents of all kinds, *an essential point, which had not been overlooked by the projectors of this pious jugglery.* The holy prophetess became decidedly the *lioness* among the fashionable world; and even weak-minded Protestant ladies, of high social standing, whom I could name, paid their tributes and homages to the all-absorbing wonder of the day. The more philosophical among them, and certain gentlemen, who modestly call themselves *sensus*, ventured a scientific explanation of that extraordinary phenomenon, and said something about magnetism, second sight, *wonderful clairvoyancy*, etc. How must father REICHHARDT have laughed, in his sleeves, at these fools trying to explain scientifically, what had cost him years of labor! However, the modest mention of the EPPINGER's folks was soon found unworthy of the holy girl. A vast spot in the most pleasant and convenient part of the town was selected and bought, and a handsome, costly building of vast proportions built upon it, to be dedicated to the "Convent of the Daughters of Redemption," (*le Couvent des filles de la Rédemption,*) and of which CATHERINE EPPINGER, the so called *Wechselesse* of old, but now the divine, immaculate pupil of the Virgin Mary, became the Superioress, under the changed name of "Sister ALEXANDRINE." As for father REICHHARDT, he constituted (what your readers may easily imagine,) his busy device as ruler of the holy Pythoness, and sayoender of these modern Delphian oracles,—growing from day to day more arrogant and unintelligible. He got, moreover, the spiritual and temporal management of the whole establishment, to which was soon added the Gymnasia Theatre, another very capable building in the gothic style. The removal and installation of the Saint prophetess

[illegible] best best of heathery, such place in the [illegible] was immovable, [illegible] incense burning and sprinkling of holy water, [illegible] and crucifixes waving, church bells ringing, priests and people kneeling and singing—all crowning an endless procession, *followed by the Bishop from Strasbourg*, who had to come down to shower the whole concern with the seal of holy authenticity! The new convent was soon filled with a great number of nuns, young girls who are admitted, first as novices, not without a considerable trousseau, and whose ostensible mission, besides their devotion to God and the Holy Virgin, is to attend to the sick and poor—*their for a very Christian one*, flows, also, a great number of *externes* (a kind of ambulant institution, if I would be allowed to name them so,) all under the dependence and supervision of the mother-institution of Niederbronn, and conducted on the same ostensible and secret principles, were spread over the whole Province, and under the humane cover of benevolence, many proselytes are made, many erring sheep are brought back to the lap of the true Church, especially among the lower, poor class of the Protestants, and thus another of Father REICHHARDT's secret aims has been laid bare. Individuals of both sexes, who are disgusted with this sinful world, and who sigh after solitude and retirement, are likewise admitted; but they must be persons of wealth, and have to give up all they possess to the holy Convent. Donations or bequests from old dying sinners, who want to bribe St. Peter, the door-keeper of Heaven, are, of course, not refused, and contribute largely to the wealth and prosperity of that middle-aged Institution!

Now, Mr. Editor, let your readers bear in mind that this sybilline miracle was started in that memorable year 1848, when Europe was heaving with Revolution and everybody was in expectation *about the things which were to come.* We had then that new born, weak child, called French Republic, whose cradle was soon besieged on one side by a crowd of mortal foes, Orleanists, Legitimists, Bonapartists, omni-colored Monarchists, who all united in their eagerness to strangle it to death; and on the other side, a multitude of so-called friends and relations,—men belonging to every philosophical creed and every systematical extravagancy, worse than the bitterest foes, and who, unable in their savage impatience to wait for the child's slow and gradual growth, according to the laws of Nature and Providence, twitched, tortured and stretched its poor limbs to give them shape and size, according to each one's own fancy. We enjoyed then, for a short time, the fullest liberty of the Press, of which Bonapartists and other Monarchists availed themselves to their hearts' content to injure the Republican cause. Among those innumerable latter, existed an obscure paper, called *L'Infaillible*, (if I remember well the name,) which gave itself the mission to advocate the interests of LOUIS XVII., that unhappy son of unhappy LOUIS XVI., who, according to that paper, had not died in prison, as falsely related by historians and cotemporaries, but was still living in the person of an old gentleman, called Duke of RICHMOND. Besides the cause of its imaginary *protégé*, that royalist sheet pretended to defend warmly the interests of the lower classes, and showed itself in its tendencies and doctrines anti-aristocratic and almost Red Republican. Nobody in France paid any attention to that paltry, hypocritical paper, save a few old fools who believed in the story, and a certain set of wire-pullers, political moles, who knew the things going on behind the curtain. It was only vaguely known by some people in Niederbronn, that the *Infaillible*, the aforesaid paper, was read within the walls of the new monastery. Suddenly the country was startled by the marvelous news "That the Duke of RICHMOND, LOUIS XVII., was honoring Niederbronn with his august presence; that in presenting himself abruptly at the convent, before Sister ALPHONSINE, the Superioress, without any announcement and without the usual ushering in, the inspired Pythoness had at once recognized him, and exclaimed in a prophetic tone: "That's the man—the elected of the Lord, whom I saw in my vision, *and who is destined to be the future ruler of France; but his reign will be of short duration, and he will have to make room to a younger, more vigorous sister;*" and that afterwards his royal Altesse had assisted in the Convent's church to a mass read in commemoration of the death of his unhappy father."

Useless to say that this rare specimen of Jesuitical-political jugglery was received with outbursts of laughter by all the *sensible people* from Niederbronn and its environs. The Republicans, especially, looked at the whole matter as a capital joke, and funny letters and correspondences were sent in all directions to announce the glad tidings to the good French people! Now, Mr. Editor, let your readers again observe that this Bourbonian farce in the Convent of Niederbronn was played in *January*, 1849, at a time when M. BONAPARTE was scarcely seated for three weeks upon the Presidential chair. He was not yet the saviour of mankind and of all kind of old women and frightened babies; he was "not yet the *French Augustus*," to use the expression of his *enthusiastic lordship*, the Viscount of PALMERSTON. Master LOUIS had not crowned his head with the bloody laurels of the Boulevardes Fusillades; he was not yet Emperor of France, *Cayenne and Lambessa*, (a kind of modern variation to the title of our ancient rulers: King of France and Navarre.) At that time he was rather looked at as a brainless adventurer—a mere imperial caricature—and the Royalists, especially expected to find in him a *commodious bridge*, to cross over the gaping abyss of the Revolution, and reach in safety their dearly beloved Majesty, HENRY V., who is growing rather mouldy in his unkingly residence at Frohsdorf. But it seems that father REICHHARDT, and his faithful coadjutor, father LIEBHARDT, the second in command, and the two *Redins* of Niederbronn, had reckoned without their host; some bad tongue blabbed out the secret of the Holy Institution before the predicted times were fulfilled, and the political scheme exploded prematurely, killed by its ridiculousness and the cleverness of Master LOUIS, who ordered his Satrapship from Strasbourg, *alias* Prefect of the Lower Rhine, to investigate the Bourbonian jugglery upon the spot. As there never transpired anything outside of the monastery about that investigation, the good people from Niedsthronn, in want of any official statement, were compelled to guess the tenor of the matter spoken of between the high contracting parties, and they came without any great effort to the following conclusion—very probably the matter was settled after the manner of a dishonest policeman catching a thief—amicably in dividing the stolen plunder—and the language held may have been to the following effect:—"Why, Father REICHHARDT and sister Superioress, said the honest official of Master LOUIS, we don't want to stop your business; the *Prince-President* will even do something for you, he will grant you the estimance which you want, you know, for the legal existence of your concern, and he will shut his eyes, (and when he shut them, his Ministers and we and other subalterns, are not allowed, of course, to keep them open, you know,) about certain donations and *legacies made over*, you know, by some pious people, *to your holy Institution, and which cannot be done legally without a formal authorization of the Council of State*, you know. But don't be afraid about those old women, called Councillors of State, who, by the bye, under the happy rule of our Prince-President, will become, like everybody else, the fifth wheel of our Government car. Now, in return, we expect something from you. First, you must let alone that old fool, whom you call LOUIS XVII. or Duke of RICHMOND, and whom you might as well call a white crow; and then you must give up all your silly fancies about what you call your legitimate Princes of the BOURBON fami[illegible] [illegible] The Prince-President is already dreaming about plots for the benefit of the good French people, when in course in his home like his great uncle of old), and he intends to make the Holy Catholic Church and its worthy Ministers more respected and more comfortable than they ever were under the ancient Monarchy; but you must give us your support and use your holy influence upon your faithful people in favor of the Government in our future elections and everywhere, where need be, in order to keep down those abominable Red Republicans, your and our worst enemies, you know. If those vascally red fellows should get the better of it they would snatch from the rank our Government's fodder, and you and myself, like all the rest, would be sent, for a living, either to the forests to chop wood, or to the fields to plant potatoes. What would become, reverend father, in that case, of your blooming, full-moon cheeks and your three-storied, undulating chin, and my own respectable bodily weight, which falls but a little short of three hundred pounds, according to the new metrical system! Do you not shudder at the mere idea of such a calamity?" These last words provoked a smile all round, even upon the lips of the not unfair Superioress; the mutual fact was easily agreed upon in the above-stated terms, then after a cordial shaking of hands, the *honorable parties* separated.

When I left France a few years ago, *that entente cordiale* between L. NAPOLEON and the French Clergy, of which the Niederbronner transaction affords a striking illustration, was *still undisturbed.* It had borne its fruits. The Republic has been *voted down*, the Republicans shot down, proscribed, expelled, scattered to the four winds!

The Convent of the Daughters of the Redemption of Niederbronn is still standing, flourishing, increasing in wealth, power and influence beyond all expectation, a curious monument of the boldest pious imposition upon an ignorant, credulous multitude, in the midst of that *pretended enlightened nineteenth century!* All the Catholic countries of Europe are sending their tributes in good, hard, sounding cash to that famous monastery, and for a time there was the necessity felt in Niederbronn of a banking-house for the exchange of all the foreign coins flowing in from all sides. *Even American dollars and American eagles, collected from the fidels of these United States are said to go over the Atlantic, to contribute to the power and wealth of the Convent of the Holy Prophetess, Sister Alphonsine, formerly Catherine Eppinger, alias Wechselesse;*—an assertion which I can vouch for, but which seems to me *not improbable*, after all I have seen and observed in that country.

Father REICHHARDT, in spite of all sneers and all obstacles thrown in the way by a mixed population, has wonderfully succeeded in his masterpiece of religious humbug, (as an American would say,) in which he was spurred by a triple motive of *personal ambition, political predilection, and, above all, religious fanaticism and hatred towards Protestantism*, for which he always enjoyed a notorious, unenviable reputation, although some of his *nearest relations belong to the Protestant faith!* He has obtained all he wished for, as to the first and last point; he has become the spiritual and temporal manager of a vast, wealthy and influential institution, *and he has checked the progress of Protestantism* in Alsace, where formerly, since the famous Westphalian Treaty, through the thriving and highly intelligent character of its numerous adherents, Protestantism almost enjoyed a predominating influence.

As to the political point, in which alone success has not crowned his efforts, Father REICHHARDT is not the man to give it up so easily. Let LOUIS NAPOLEON's lucky star decline—and decline it will, according to the general law of this world—let things in France look as gloomy for the nephew as they once looked for the uncle, and your readers may rely upon the fact, the *entente cordiale* between him and the French Catholic Clergy will be broken up. This event happening, there will be *startling miracles, sudden apparitions and visions of the Holy Virgin and other Saints on sundry places of France*, and to sundry people, whose wondrous details will fill up the columns of the famous Parisian *L'Univers*, that holy organ of the Holy Reverend Fathers, from morning until evening. Especially we,—who know a bit about certain local matters,—we anticipate with the fullest confidence and certitude, about that time spoken of, a new apparition of the Holy Virgin (who, of course, is gifted with the Divine power of ubiquity,) in the Convent of Niederbronn to her immaculate pupil; and speaking anew through the mouth of her holy servant CATHERINE EPPINGER, *alias Wechselesse*, she will threaten the poor French people with all the wrathe of Heaven and all the flames of Hell, unless they return quickly into the lap of their legitimate King. Although my *subject* is far from being exhausted, I must drop it and bring to a close my unreasonably long letter, for which, Mr. Editor, I ask your pardon. As to my bad, unclassical English, I beg your readers to try to understand it as well as they can, and to read it with that patience and indulgence which is due, above all, to a Frenchman expressing his thoughts in a foreign language.

GALLIA CELTICA.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 18, 1855.

Nebraska Correspondence of the Times.

OMAHA CITY, N. T., Monday, March 5, 1855.

Nebraska Legislature—Schemes of the Acting Governor—Administration of M. U. Irard—Indian Troubles temporarily subsided—Speculations on Claims—Troops expected—High Prices—Progress of the country.

It is decidedly amusing to set by during a few days deliberations in these bodies and note the progress. They are generally men of good common sense, yet here like everybody else especially to make money, and no better field presenting itself they endeavor to make the numerous local questions, such as the arrangement of Counties, County seats, Ferry and Bridge Charters, incorporated Companies, &c. "pay the fiddler," and a majority of them do. A vote for a County seat is worth as many lots as the nature of the case will admit. On a Ferry charter an interest therein is sufficient. In an Incorporated Company an unpaying stockholdership suffices, and so the speculations range.

To carry out the schemes of the late Acting Governor—T. B. CUMING—about one-half have without considering the cost, become passive tools, while about one-third of that number are careful that he attended to their pockets. But little confidence was manifested in his short administration, and nearly every one forsook him, excepting the few whom he could use as special tools or unwittingly be made a tool of. The wish prevails to quite an extent among the honest portion of community that he should be removed even now from his office of Secretary.

The administration of M. U. IRARD bids fair to be a popular one. His earnest desire to promote the general good, integrity of character, and honesty of purpose, has already won him many and true friends.

The Indian troubles reported around us was more for Buncombe than anything else. A few persons desirous of carrying a Military bill through, whereby they could be rewarded by offices, created to almost the entire extent the commotion. Yet the need of troops here to protect the emigrant trains and frontier settlers is needed. A body of troops are expected here, however, on the first boats—in a few weeks.

Almost exorbitant prices are being charged here for everything. Board can be got for $6 per week, with the privilege of spreading your Buffalo robe and blankets on any spare piece on your host's floor left vacant. This will decrease however, after the Legislature adjourns, which will be in a few weeks now—and really no one will regret it much.

The prospects of the Territory are flattering, and a heavy emigration hither is expected on the Spring. The whole country bordering on the Missouri River and the inland streams where only timber can be found, is generally claimed, and now persons will have to contract themselves either with fertile prairie claims, such as these have once but little stock, or pay a liberal price for more choice ones already made. A vast amount of money has already been made off of claims, and the prospect is fair for much "more of the same sort." Town site speculations pay well, now that the company seats and operations are located and designated. There is a demand for laboring hands throughout the Territory.

The Pacific Railroad bill passed both Houses a few days since.

NOTICES OF NEW BOOKS.

LECTURES ON ENGLISH LITERATURE. From CHAUCER to TENNYSON. By HENRY REED. Philadelphia: PARRY & MCMILLAN.

Prof. REED, of the University of Virginia, was one of the victims of the steamer *Arctic's* disaster. Immediately before he left home for Europe he had delivered a course of lectures on English Poetry to his University class. These, edited by his brother, WM. B. REED, are here reproduced in good style—the volume being a neatly bound and well printed 12mo. A portrait of the author fronts the title page. The lectures are admirable for their eloquent thought, refined though vigorous style, and sound criticism. We trust they will meet the success they deserve, as, if successful, other selections from the lamented Professor's writings are promised.

The author of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* has written a new book. It is called the *First Geography for Children*. It is the beginning of a series of school books of which the second number will be *Miss* (CATHERINE E.) *Beecher's First Book of Ancient History*. This claims to avoid the great mass of disconnected details too often introduced into the minds of children, to awaken the interest of pupils in the subjects treated of, and so to develop the faculty of memory, to systematize the geographical knowledge imparted, and to make a judicious use of the principle of association. Tear out a single leaf, and there is nothing so incendiary in this last work of Mrs. STOWE that it might not be put into the hands of a Catholic child without offence. It is a very pleasant school book to look at, and we believe it will answer its intentions. PHILLIPS, SAMPSON & Co. in Boston, and Mr. DERBY, in New-York, are the publishers.

The Life, Times and Characteristics of Bunyan, by ROBERT PHILIPS, has been published from the English edition by H. MANSFIELD, of New-Haven, in a handsome octavo volume, with 44 authentic illustrations and a portrait of the wonderful dreamer, which is copied from a drawing taken during life. Mr. PHILIPS claims to have written as complete a life as the documents and traditions of the country can furnish after a century and a half have elapsed since the subject's death. The author is endorsed by Rev. Dr. PHELPS, of New-Haven, who writes the introduction, as an Evangelical minister and able author, and though not of the same denomination as treating BUNYAN's opinions fairly.

The Footsteps of St. Paul, by the author of *Morning and Night Watches*, is a very valuable and excellent book, which presents a simple and consecutive history of the Great Apostle. For so much of it as is not Bible, it is indebted to such works as those of CONYBEARE, LEWIN, CAVE, NEANDER, KITTO and JOSEPHUS. Having a good map and abundant illustrations, and being in all respects admirably prepared, both as to its matter—as the author's part, and as to its style, on the publisher's part—we take pleasure in commending it to all who would know more intimately the character and acts of Paul. Published by CARTER. 12mo., 416 pages.

HARPER & BROTHERS have issued the fifth volume of AGNES STRICKLAND's *Lives of the Queens of Scotland*—being the conclusion of the Life of MARY STUART. None of the remarkable author's works is more clever or womanish than this. The charming style and sincere earnestness carry the reader captive; and it is difficult, on reaching the close, not to believe with her in MARY's innocence, whatever one's previous sentiment may have been. Partial or not, she has drawn for her facts upon rare documents, and summoned evidence that cannot be lightly impeached. We envy those who have not read it the pleasure they have in store.

The Sons of the Sires: A history of the rise, progress and destiny of the American party, and its probable influence on the next Presidential election. To which is added a review of Hon. H. A. WISE's letter against the Know-Nothings. Philadelphia: LIPPINCOTT, GRAMBO & Co. This is a sort of oration, pretty well written, though rather lofty in sections, which rehearses the necessity of the new party that is doing such a big business in every quarter. 16mo., 222 pages.

A third Edition of JOHN WILSON's treatise on *English Punctuation*, enlarged to a volume of 346 16mo. pages, and still sold for $1, is issued from the press. (in New-York) of C. SHEPARD & Co. Containing rules on the use of capitals, a long list of abbreviations, &c., it seems to us a valuable handbook, and one that ought to be used by many who would be loth to admit that they need to be taught at all how to prepare a manuscript for the eye of critics or the use of printers.

A small *Compendium of Hygiene* has been published by Dr. LUCIUS MILLS, of Winsted, Conn., which in the main is a fit thing for a sensible man to have written. It gives very plain and good directions for the maintenance of health, and the preservation of strength to old age. It gives judicious directions, too, as to diet, and commends itself especially to dyspeptics and other chronic invalids. FOWLERS & WELLS.

PARRY & MCMILLAN, of Philadelphia, publish in 12mo. of 430 pages, *Marriage with Jesus*, by Rev. WM. JAY, of Bath. From his pen they cannot fail to prove admirably adapted to arouse the conscience and improve the heart. To be accurate, however, these are not from Mr. JAY's pen. They are the notes written out of Sermons preached by him at different times during a long course of years.

SERIBNER & TOWNSEND's publication of COOPER's Novels proceeds with much regularity and promptness. The last volume issued was *Home as Found*—one of the most successful of the writer's works in detecting absurdities, and earning libel suits. For this very fact the present generation of readers will rejoice to see a new edition.

We have received a bound volume consisting of twelve "*Temperance Tracts for the People.*" They discuss briefly and well the principal points that separate between the friends and enemies of the great total abstinence movement. Widely circulated, either in their compacted form or as single tracts, they cannot fail to do great good.

Mrs. TUTHILL has written another charming volume for her series, entitled *Success in Life*. It is intended for young artists, and is called "The Artist," but all young persons would be benefited by its perusal. It generates in the reader a cheerful confidence of success and more earnest faith in honesty and industry. Published by J. C. DERBY.

The Little Learner is the title of the 4th number of HARPER's Story Books. It is a beautiful thing, full of engravings, from pictures in the Learner "written up" and sheet in Mr. ANSERY's most charming style. These story books are small quarto in paper covers, furnished at 25 cents each, and each complete in itself.

NEW-YORK CITY.

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Boston Parties Robbed in New-York.

On Wednesday afternoon the office of the City Judge was visited by numerous persons to witness a legal inquiry in relation to certain judicial proceedings which had taken place at the Halls of Justice. A manufacturing jeweler named Johnson NEWMAN, of Newark, was arraigned before Justice CROMELIN upon a charge of receiving $100 from SIDNEY MANOVIL, residing at No. 79½ Cedar-street. It was stated for the defence that the amount in question was received in part payment of a note for $162 75, held against the complainant by said NEWMAN. This story did not move the Justice, and he ordered NEWMAN to find bail in the sum of $500, which he did.

Subsequently, Mr. SPENCER appeared to Judge STUART, as counsel on behalf of NEWMAN, and upon the necessary affidavits, procured a writ of certiorari. The evidence of two witnesses for the defence was produced, setting forth that while Mr. NEWMAN was in the store, he exhibited some $600 worth of gold watch chains, and agreed to sell Mr. MANOVIL $300 worth of them on a credit of sixty days. Meanwhile, Mr. MANOVIL paid to NEWMAN $100 in gold coin, which he (NEWMAN) immediately endorsed on the back of a note he had against MANOVIL. He then picked up his chains and was about to leave, when he was seized by MANOVIL and another party, named SAMUEL JESSON, and charged with stealing the $100.

The District Attorney was duly notified, and the whole matter was thoroughly reviewed by the City Judge. The Counsel for NEWMAN argued at length to show there was no larceny committed by his client. On the other side, Mr. FOSTER contended that his client paid Mr. NEWMAN the $100 in question, on the purchase of $300 worth of gold chains, which he (NEWMAN) had with him, and offered to sell them on a credit of sixty days.

Judge Stuart—As I understand the law in this case, it involves the matter of intent on the part of Mr. NEWMAN. Did he take the $100 with the intention of stealing it, and need the $600 worth of chains as a pretence to get possession of the said $100? If he did, it would be just as much of a crime as if stolen in the dead of the night from the person. But, continued the Judge, if Mr. NEWMAN took the $100 to secure a payment of debt which he had against the man (MANOVIL,) then there was no larceny of felonious intent of Mr. NEWMAN.

Mr. Foster—I differ from the Court, and therefore hope that your Honor will lay it over until to-morrow.

Judge Stuart—I can see no felonious intent to steal the $100. There is no larceny, if not it might be a trespass, and that would be a civil matter.

Mr. Foster—One of the witnesses for NEWMAN, named ROSENBURGH, is a real rogue and rest, (laughter,) and he at once called my client's attention to another part of the store, while he (NEWMAN) gathered up the chains, $100 in gold coin, and made off.

The Court finally decided against the action of the Police Magistrate, dismissed the complaint, and discharged NEWMAN from his recognizance of $500 under which he had been placed at the Halls of Justice.

Meanwhile MANOVIL was arrested by officer RUSH, and held to answer a charge of assaulting Mr. NEWMAN. Yesterday an examination took place before Judge STUART in regard to the matter. The decision was reserved.

The Sardinian Frigate "Ben Genova."

This vessel so much called of in anticipation of her arrival a few weeks ago, is still in our harbor, —lying in the Jersey waters,—where she is likely to remain till the early part of the next month.

The frigate is called after the distinguished Admiral Dan GENOVA, whose career terminated about twenty-five years ago,—and is a second rate vessel of war pierced for 46 guns, forty of which have been unhoisted, and left behind, during the present voyage. The vessel is under the command of Capt. ALEX. MANTICA,—a gentleman of high nautical experience,—and who, together with his officers are exceedingly courteous and polite.

The names of the officers are as follows:

First Lieutenant——ANTONIO CLAVERARI.
Second Lieutenant——WILLIAM LIVERE.
Third Lieutenant——ACHARDI.
Fourth Lieutenant——FERI.
Midshipmen——Signors RACCHIA and CANEVARO.
Sailing Master——Signor ENCARO.
Surgeon——VALLE.
Purser——RASSI.

The number of men on board, including marines, at present is 190. The complement when in commission, is 250. Neither the ship nor her apparatus appear now to advantage, in consequence of the necessity of dispensing with that order and discipline which usually prevail on board a vessel of war, for the purpose of taking in cargo.

The *Ben Genova* returns to Genoa with a full cargo of flour (10,000 barrels) for the use of the army, to obtain which,—and not, as was at first rumored to export pappers,—was the chief object of the Sardinian Government in sending her to this port. The guns, as before stated, were unshipped to allow a larger amount of cargo to be taken on board; and it is in consequence of not having the full number of guns, and the vessel not being in commission, that the City has not been honored on her arrival, and since, by the accustomed salute, which we have been assured is a source of deep regret to the commandant and the Sardinian authorities in this City. We beg to express our gratitude to the commandant and Signor RACCHIA for the civility which we received while on board.

Barnum's "Baby Show."

A Baby Show is to take place at BARNUM's on the 8th of June. The premiums range from $250 down to $10. A Committee of Ladies has been appointed to act as Judges. Their names are as follows:

Mrs. W. Leland, Metropolitan Hotel.
Mrs. W. H. Burroughs, Irving House.
Mrs. R. F. Elliot, No. 149 East Thirteenth-street.
Mrs. E. P. Tuck, No. 151 Lexington-avenue.
Mrs. L. H. Fowler, No. 308 Broadway.
Mrs. H. Whitmore, No. 136 Barrow-street.
Mrs. J. N. Genin, No. 214 Broadway.

The "finest baby under five years of age" will receive $100 for being so nice. The "finest" twins, $50; the "finest" triplet, $30; and the "finest" quatern (four at a birth,) one hundred and fifty dollars. The fattest child, $50. These are indeterminate. BARNUM says: "Two triplets and one quatern are already engaged, and we expect the woman from Ohio with five at a birth."

Prayer for City Missions.

A prayer meeting held on Wednesday afternoon at Rev. Dr. THOMPSON's Church, corner of Grand and Cosby-streets, for the City Missions, was numerously attended. Such meetings are held monthly, alternating by wards, and comprise those actively engaged as tract distributors under the auspices of the City Tract Society.

Nearly Killed on the Eighth-avenue Railroad.

On Wednesday afternoon a lad whose name we could not learn, was nearly killed by car No. 22 of the Eighth-avenue Railroad passing over him near Fortieth-street. The boy was taken up senseless by some citizens. He is believed to be beyond recovery.

Fire.

The two story frame building, No. 307 Ninth-avenue, owned and occupied by Mr. W. GUMMER, was with its contents, consisting chiefly of second-hand furniture, destroyed by fire at an early hour on Wednesday morning. Loss $2,500. Insured for $1,000 in the Columbian Insurance Company. A four-story frame building adjoining was somewhat damaged.

More Smuggling.

THEOPHIL CHEVIT, a merchant, doing business at Nos. 119 and 121 Nassau-street, has been charged with smuggling diamonds and other properties, and some of the jewels were seized at his store by the Custom-House officers.

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The attendance and examination of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 23 took place last Thursday. The office which was recently occupied by Messrs. Lewis and Nathanson, Mr. LAMPSON spoke in discriminating terms of the general improvement of this School. This Department is now under the supervision of Miss ANNA MARTIRES, a lady of widely-extended reputation as a teacher.

Mr. CATHERINE JACKSON complained to the Mayor on Wednesday that a party in Orange-street refused to pay her for trimming one dozen hats for him at the rate of six cents per hat. He threatened to have her arrested for asking payment.

CITY SCHOOLS.

Meeting of the Board of Education.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Wednesday evening at the rooms of the Board, Grand-street. GEORGE F. NELSON, President, occupied the Chair.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, that they have no further use for the old building on One Hundred and Twenty-ninth-street.

From the First Ward local board, the nomination of Joseph W. Taylor, Trustee of Common Schools, in place of Alexander Isaacs, resigned.

From the Seventh Ward, the nomination of Wilson Smith, as inspector, in place of Joseph Crellin, resigned.

From His Honor, Mayor Wood, recommending the removal of the School Building in Lexington-avenue, near Fifty-first-street.

From the City Superintendent of Schools, accompanied with a report of the grades and salaries of the teachers under the charge of the Board. The present salaries range from $150 to $1,500.

GRADES AND SALARIES OF TEACHERS.

Document No. 5 was taken from Committee of the Whole and discussed. The document was a report from a Select Committee recommending the adoption of certain by-laws.

The Committee have endeavored to amend the existing laws so as to meet, if possible, an equal number of understand the views of every member, the objections heretofore raised so far as in their judgment would be consistent and proper. If they have succeeded, it will be without a source of great satisfaction, and give additional and important weight to the practical operation and carrying out of the principle of uniformity intended by the statute.

The maximum rate of salaries in a number of instances is proposed to be increased, and also the number of teachers, by reducing the present limit of one teacher to a certain number of scholars in a Grammar or Primary School.

Sections 1 and 2 which related to the grades of schools and studies, were adopted, with some slight alterations in the phraseology.

It was moved and seconded that sections 4, 5, 6 of Document 26, in relation to salaries, be repealed.

This was amended by inserting, "In lieu thereof sections 4, 5 and 6 of Document No. 5," the report of the Special Committee.

On this there was a long, windy discussion. Members in illustrating the figure of speech spoke of "Going to sea without a rudder," "Unravelling a stocking without having yarn to knit it again," and the necessity of "Having a harmonious whole."

The motion to repeal was carried. Ayes, 28; Noes, 12.

It was then moved to strike out subdivision 2, 4 and 6 of section 4, and carried. The section is as follows:

1. The maximum rates of salaries in the Grammar Schools shall be as follows; but the grades of salaries now adopted, shall not be operative so as to reduce the present salary of any Teacher now holding office, before the 1st day of May, 1856:

	Male.	Females.
For Principals	$1,500	$600
For Vice-Principals	1,000	400
For First Assistants	700	350
For Second Assistants	450	300
For Third and Additional Assistants	300	200

2. In any Grammar School where the average attendance is but more than two hundred, the maximum salaries shall not exceed the following:

	Male.	Females.
For Principals	$1,250	$500
For Vice-Principals	800	350
For First Assistants	500	250
For Second Assistants	350	225
For Third and Additional Assistants	250	175

3. The salaries of Teachers in Primary Schools or Departments shall not exceed the following:

For Principals	$500
For Vice-Principals	350
For First Assistants	250
For Second Assistants	200
For Third and Additional Assistants	150

4. If the average attendance in any Primary School or Department does not exceed three hundred, the rates of salaries shall not exceed the following:

For Principals	$350
For Vice-Principals	250
For First Assistants	200
For Second Assistants	150
For Third and Additional Assistants	100

5. If the attendance is not more than one hundred and fifty then the salaries shall be as follows:

For Principals	$300
For Vice-Principals	200
For First Assistants	150

It was moved to strike out all after Vice Principals, and that the Principal $450, and that the Vice Principal $40.

A division was called for. Considerable time was spent discussing this question, in which numbers enlarged on their experience as school officers. A member who had talked over half an hour didn't see why the time of talking, as the Board had determined to reconsider the whole.

A motion was made to lay the matter on the table and lost.

A motion was made to refer the whole subject to a Special Committee, with power to print their report, and present it at the next meeting of the Board. This motion was adopted.

A vote was then taken on reconsidering the repeal of the by-laws, and lost.

After referring several documents of little importance, the Board adjourned.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Meeting of the Fire Department Committee.

The Committee on Fire Department (Board of Aldermen) met on Wednesday evening. Present—Alderman HOWARD, Chairman; Aldermen TROWBRIDGE and BAIRD.

The "family quarrel" of Engine Company No. 11 was continued from the last meeting. On request of Mr. JAMES I. MURRAY, the decision was reserved until Wednesday next.

Complaint of Hose Company No. 14 against Engine Company No. 16—For running them in while proceeding to fires on the 24 of January and 25th of February, *the morning of the Poole murder.* Mr. Mount, (Foreman,) Mr. Stimets, Mr. Titus, Levi Lyons, Cornelius Dougherty and Mr. Clark were examined on the part of the complainants; and Isaac Jones, Geo. H. Wood, F. W. H. Chase and Michael Kellers, on the part of the defendants.

Case of Daniel Suss—Expelled from Engine Company No. 39.

Alderman Howard—Mr. Suss, why didn't you come down here when you were notified?

Mr. Suss—I have never been properly notified.

Alderman Howard—You were notified in the Sunday Mercury.

Mr. Suss—That may be, but I don't take the *Mercury.*

Alderman Howard—Well, that is all the notice you or any one else will get.

It appeared that Mr. Suss was expelled for non-payment of dues and neglect of duty; but that he had offered his resignation, which was accepted, on condition that he pay his dues. He does their amounted to about 70 cents. The derelictions of duty complained of occurred after he had sent in his resignation. The Committee decided to return him as resigned, on condition that he settled with the Company.

Counter charges—Of Engine Companies Nos. 30 and 31, for fighting, &c.

Mr. Spinle, Foreman of No. 30, and J. A. Smith, Secretary of Engine Company No. 51, appeared respectively for their Companies.

Mr. Donohue was examined and created a great deal of amusement by the manner in which he answered the questions.

Mr. Daniel Haggerty, among other things, saw one of No. 51's men "Haul off and let rip at some of No. 30's fellows," and he made up his mind that if anything happened to him he would defend himself.

Anthony Cipher sworn: Said that No. 51 ran them in to the curb-stone.

Alderman Howard—Did you see any one struck?

Witness—No, Sir; but I saw one of our men two days afterwards with a "black eye." (Laughter.) He said he got it in this difficulty.

John Huffman sworn: Said that No. 51 ran them in twice.

J. A. Smith sworn: Secretary of No. 51, present at the difficulty. He said that Mr. Donohue flourished a wrench and said "He could lick any s—— of a b——— on No. 51's rope; but not one Mr. Donohue saw the wrench, but he flourished it in a threatening manner; I think he meant to create a riot.

John F. Slaper sworn, Foreman of No. 51 Engine—Saw no reason for Commissioner Mr. Smith relative to Mr. Donohue. Intended to arrest Mr. Donohue, but did not through the persuasion of the Secretary of Engine No. 39.

Mr. Donohue—Do you mean to say that I meant to create a riot?

Mr. Slaper—Certainly, or else you would not have threatened "to spin my head with the tramps." (Loud laughter.)

Mr. Donohue and Mr. Slaper here became excited, and the Chairman called them to order, saying: "That he didn't want any tramping in the Committee Room."

Alderman Howard—Mr. Donohue (impressively)—The Committee feel very much inclined to expel you. You are rather useful not ornamental to the Department. It seems so ridiculous as you would not a whole Company to a fellow. The Committee, however, in consequence of this being your first offence, will let you off easy enough. They have decided to suspend you for one month and you can resume duty at adjournment.

In the case of Hose Company No. 14 against Engine Company No. 16, the Committee decided to suspend the whole Company for three months, and to dismiss the Foreman.

Mr. Walsh, Foreman of Engine Company No. 16—I don't think that is a just decision. I can prove that I [illegible] the Committee adjourned until Wednesday next.

INVESTIGATION OF FIRES.

FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

FIRE IN TWENTY-STREET—CAUSES OF A DEADLY GAS FIRE.

On the night of March 8, a fire took place in the grocery store of Peter Lynch, No. 41 Twenty-street. It burnt very fiercely for a while, but the timely arrival of the firemen prevented the flames from spreading beyond the store. The owner of Mr. LYNCH occupied that he occupied the upper part of the house as a dwelling, and was up stairs at the time the fire broke out. He also resided to a debtor in the gas pipe leading to the meter. Two or three days prior to the fire the authority for the Gas Company called, and Mr. Lynch showed him the leakage in the pipe and requested him to make a minute of it in his book, for the purpose of having the company to send a man to repair the leak. However, no one came to stop it, and Mr. Lynch was much annoyed by the escape of gas into the store. In order to stop the leak he opened some stop in the hole; this escaped it for a while. On the night of the fire, he again put out the hole, as gas had been escaping all the evening. Mr. Lynch turned gas in his dwelling apartment, and therefore did not turn of the meter in the store, as the supply came from that main. In about an hour after Mr. Lynch closed the store, the gas light in his apartments suddenly went out; he immediately started to go down stairs to ascertain the difficulty in the store, and just as he reached the head of the stairs, persons in the street knocked at his door and called out the store was on fire. When Mr. Lynch closed his store he left a fire burning in his stove, and it is now believed from the appearance of the burning and the sudden manner in occurred that the gas escaped from the defective pipe and became ignited from the fire in the stove. Mr. Lynch believes that the gas taking fire in the store caused the extinguishment of the gas light in his apartment. Mr. Lynch estimates his loss at near $4,000, on which he had an insurance of $2,000. He has resided there for near 11 years past; he is also the owner of the building. This is the first fire occurring in his premises.

FIRE IN GRAND-STREET.

On Sunday evening, the 11th inst., a fire took place in the dwelling-house occupied by Mrs. Hutchinson at No. 161 Grand-street. There are cutters in this house for keeping wearing apparel, in the front room of the second story. Mrs. Hutchinson testified to not being in the room or at the closet on that afternoon or evening until after the fire. Miss Sarah Smith (Mrs. Hutchinson's niece) testified to going to said closet in a hurry shortly after 7 o'clock, to prepare for church; she took a field map with her, which she positively standing on the table about four feet from the closet; she took her hat, furs, shawl, and other articles of dress; but she cannot recollect whether she held the light in her hand at the time she took out the clothing; yet she thinks it might be possible, but she cannot now recollect; after removing the clothing, she shut the closet door in a hurry, yet did not stop to lock it. Soon after 9 o'clock the house was filled with smoke, and a fire found to be in the closet. The articles of clothing were all consumed, and the closet door burnt half through, showing conclusively the fire had been burning some length of time. There was no evidence to show that any other persons went to that closet after Miss Smith. It is supposed to be the result of accident.

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Board of Aldermen.....THURSDAY, March 27.

ISAAC O. BARNES, Esq., President, in the Chair.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

Of sundry parties to be appointed Commissioners of Deeds. Of A. S. Lounsbery, to grade Eleventh-avenue. Of the New-York and Harlem Railroad Company, for leave to use so much of the southerly side of Thirty-third-street, between Fourth and Lexington-avenues, as is by ordinance allowed to street. Of P. Van Tyast and others, in relation to seal coats in Bowling-alley.

REPORTS.

Of Committee on Finance, remitting taxes against sundry parties. Adopted.

Of same Committee, concurring to pay Charles Hillie $391 66, for services as Deputy City Inspector in 1852.

Of Committee on Lamps and Gas, concurring to place two gas lamps in front of the Mission Church in Seventh-avenue.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Petition of Thos. Lawrence and seventy-five others, to be organized into an Hamage Engine Company, to take charge of a large engine, to attend all large fires, to be under the direction of the Chief or Assistant Engineer. Referred to Chief Engineer for opinion as to the necessity and propriety of granting said petition.

Communication from the Chief Engineer with complaints against Hook and Ladder Company No. 4, Hose Company No. 47, and Engine Companies Nos. 32 and 40, for running on the sidewalks. Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

BLOCK WEST OF WASHINGTON MARKET.

Resolution by Alderman WM. TUCKER, that members of the State Legislature from New-York be requested to use their best endeavors in procuring a law portioning the title of the City to the block of ground west of Washington Market, between Piers Nos. 50 and 52 North River. Adopted.

THE EX-PRISON POLICEMEN.

Alderman BARNES presented the following petition, signed by Oliver Clarkson:

The undersigned respectfully prays that the names of the ex-prison policemen who have been so unjustly set adrift in the recent report of the Chief of Police be sent to the Board of Aldermen by Mr. MATHELL, at its next meeting, so that the people can watch their faithful guardians, the Prison Committee, and see for themselves that he recommends to the Board all the officers reports that he received from the Twenty-two Wards of this City, in answer to the resolutions of Alderman BARNES, so that the people can judge of the important particulars.

Alderman HOWARD moved that the petition would not be received, but that it would be laid on the table, as it was a case of a matter deserving a reference. The parties referred to were mainly imprisoned for minor offences and had since become useful members of society. It would not be just now to attempt to revive those old matters and blast their hopes and frustrate their good intentions.

Vote being taken the petition was laid on the table.

The Board, after voting adherence to its former action in relation to the arrest of Baker, adjourned to Monday.

Board of Supervisors.

Hon. JAMES M. SMITH, Jr., Recorder, in the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bills Paid—Of Wm. C. Elder for expenses incurred in the pursuit of Louis Baker, $31 50.

Resolution adopted—That the Comptroller be authorized to draw his warrant for $300, to pay the office rent of his House the Recorder for the year 1855.

There being no other business the Board adjourned to Monday.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

COURT CALENDAR—FRIDAY.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.—Nos. 12, 13, 60, 61, 65, 84, 15, 63, 67, 17, 69.

SUPREME COURT—Circuit—Same case on.

SUPERIOR COURT.—Nos. 1204, 1216, 223, 1269, 1270, 615, 719, 1280, 1291 to 1295, 225, 1079, 1120, 302, 1024, 320, 1021, 257, 661, 507, 665, 706, 1006, 509.

SUPREME COURT—IN CHAMBERS.

Before Judge Harris.

DECISIONS.

Rowland vs. *Bennet.*—Motion denied, with costs of motion to be paid infants.

Rice, President of the Atlantic Bank vs. *Willard*—Motion denied.

Bogardus vs. *Bogardus*—Motion denied.

Stephenson vs. *Rapaeri*—Motion denied, for the insufficiency of the affidavits. $5—costs.

Newman vs. *Rudolph*—Judgment may stand with stay of proceedings.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term.—March 26.

Before Hon. James Harris.

ANOTHER HABEAS CORPUS CASE.

In the matter of an application for writ of habeas corpus for B. Smith.—About three years ago Mr. Smith was a citizen of Pennsylvania. At that time it is alleged that on the complaint of one Anson, an indictment was found against him by the Grand Jury of that State, for the crime of perjury. No criminal proceedings were, however, of that time taken against him, although he remained in the State. A few months after the finding of the Grand Jury, Mr. Smith moved to this City, where he has resided ever since.

A little more than a year ago the then Governor, William Bigler, made a requisition upon Gov. Seymour, then of this State, for a warrant of extradition against Mr. Smith. The warrant was given, and a Mr. Eldridge was named in it, to whom Mr. Smith should be delivered, he being the executive agent.

For some unknown reason, nothing was done under this warrant, to take him back to Pennsylvania, though he was known to be living openly in New-York.

Matters remained in this condition for about a year, until both Governors had been succeeded in office by another executive. A few months since, however, Anson, who entered the original complaint, (not Eldridge, who was named in the warrant,) came to New-York with the executive warrant, and delivered it to the sheriff of Kings County, who immediately arrested Mr. Smith. On this statement of facts, a habeas corpus was granted by Hon. Justice Morris, which has given rise to several questions.

The sheriff's return to the writ, stated that he held the defendant *by virtue of the warrant*; whereupon the relator put in issue, first, that no such indictment existed; secondly, that there had been no demand, according to the act of Congress and the laws of the United States, made by the executive of Pennsylvania on the executive of New-York; thirdly, that the executive agent named in the warrant was the only one authorized to take the defendant out of this State, and that he was not now here and could not convey, nor in the city, thereby, that the defendant had not fled from justice; and fifthly, that the warrant, excepting all the facts that it recites to be taken as true, is void by reason of bad name.

The complainant, Anson, through his counsel, contended that the jurisdiction of New-York could not be entered into on the questions raised by the relator, but that the proper place was in the executive department, concluded all further inquiry, and that the only duty remaining was to remand the relator to custody.

Mr. Richard Busteed, counsel for the relator, cited the case of Joseph Smith, the Mormon Prophet, reported in McLean's III. Rep. He also referred to 1st Barbour's Rep., in which the late Judge Sandford approved of the decision of the Court in the Prophet's case. Mr. Busteed contended that it was competent for the Court to go behind a warrant to ascertain the truth of the matters in it, the validity of the warrant, &c. &c. Various authorities were cumulated, which proved that [illegible]

[illegible]

Paid for repairs and lumbering	[illegible]
Paid for support of lunatics	[illegible]
Grading and multiplying school-houses	[illegible]
Paid for cleaning streets	[illegible]
Paid for repairs	[illegible]
Paid contingent	[illegible]
Paid for Watch	[illegible]
Paid Watch and Police	[illegible]
Contingent expenses	[illegible]
Fire Department expenses	[illegible]
Printing and stationery	1,457 25
Expenses of elections	172 00
Expenses of taking the census	97 00
Rents	667 75
Expenses of assessing wards	1,354 [illegible]
Repairs of pumps	27 [illegible]
Repairs of markets	[illegible]
Impounding dogs	114 [illegible]
Fourth of July celebration	303 [illegible]
Refunding [illegible]	450 [illegible]
Insurance account	87 75
Writing up city books	[illegible]
Public [illegible]	118 [illegible]
Sundries	[illegible]
Total expenditures	$165,[illegible]
Balance in Treasury March 14, 1856	6,967 77
Total	$169,[illegible]

A Blacksmith Shop Blown up—One Man Killed.

On Wednesday, a blacksmith shop at the stone quarry at Bergen Cut was blown into fragments, and the blacksmith at the forge was killed. The shop was used for sharpening tools in use in the quarry. A keg of powder with the head cut had been placed in the shop during the night previous, which the blacksmith was not aware of and did use notice, and while at work a spark of fire fell into the keg and caused the explosion.

Launch.

A beautiful three-masted clipper schooner, of about 400 tons burden, was launched at 12 M. on Wednesday, from the ship-yard of ISAAC C. SMITH & Son, Hoboken. She is intended for the Wilmington (N. C.) trade, and will be placed under command of Capt. CAMPBELL BOGART.

Monument to the Late H. C. Seymour, State Engineer, etc.

We find in a recent "Editor's Table" of the *Knickerbocker Magazine*, the annexed description of a monument recently erected to the memory of that lamented and distinguished public man, HEZEKIAH C. SEYMOUR; "A man," says the author of a recent *History of the New-York and Erie Railroad*, "without a rival in respect to natural abilities, practical knowledge and experience, sound judgment, capacity of business tact, skill, and all the qualifications demanded by the economical, financial, and practical details of such a work, in its various relations, exigencies, and interests." "He was adequate to all its demands and contingencies; and all are aware of the ability he displayed in the discharge of the duties of State Engineer, and subsequently in contracting for, and successfully prosecuting, till the close of his life, the Maysville and Lexington, the Ohio and Mississippi, the New-York and Boston, and other Railroads, involving, together, an outlay of some thirty millions of dollars." His character in the private relations of life are well set forth in the admirably terse and sententious inscriptions upon his monument:

A gentle shower of soft, mild, large-flaked snow has been falling since daylight, on this 11th of January, 1855. Tired of sitting at our table, where we had been scribbling since morning, we ventured out over the hills, and presently found ourselves "wandering among the tombs" in Rockland Cemetery. Thence could we see that,

"Cold and pale in distant vistas round,
Disrobed and tameless all the woods did stand,
While the chained streams were silent as the ground,
As DEATH had numbed them with his icy hand."

All at once we came upon the neat square of ornamental iron fence which incloses, with other relatives of the deceased, the remains of our lamented friend, the late H. C. SEYMOUR. A graceful monument, in the purest taste, and of the whitest white marble, seventeen feet in height, marks the last resting place of one too early called away. On the west side is this inscription:

"In memory of H. C. SEYMOUR, who departed this life July 24, 1853, aged forty-two years."

On the south side is the following:

"His Life and Energies were devoted to Internal Improvements, among which were the New-York and Erie Railroad, the New-York State Canals, and the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad."

On the east and north sides, we read the subjoined just tribute to the life and death of the True Man who slept below:

"A True Man, a Kind and Affectionate Husband, Father, and Friend; his Memory will ever live in the Hearts of those who knew him."

"A sincere and consistent Christian, his death was the Passage of a Calm and Tranquil Spirit to the Realms of Eternal Life."

The flakes fell and melted like tears upon the paper on which we copied these inscriptions, as if Nature herself were weeping; and as we looked up at the wreath of pure white snow-down that was gathering around the beautiful urn which surmounts the top of the monument, there came back to us the remembrance of the time, not far in the past, when we copied from the beautiful service of costly plate, presented to our departed friend by those who had Wintered and Summered with him in the discharge of momentous duties, kindred tributes to those which now marked his tomb. And as we walked slowly away, afar over the waste of snow we saw the fire-horse, like a rocket, rushing westward, with a mile-long train of vapor behind it, fading into air, and passing away. "Alas!" thought we, "what is our life? It is even as a vapor, which appeareth but for a little time, and then vanisheth away!"

Passage of a Prohibitory Law in Massachusetts—Fifty-two Members Absent on the Final Vote.

From the Boston Atlas, March 25.

This most important bill was yesterday passed in the House of Representatives, and now awaits the approval or disapproval of the Executive. It is a law of increased and very severe pains and penalties; it is far more particular and sweeping than the old law in its designation of prohibited liquors. An attempt has been made to avoid the constitutional objections to the last statute, and the whole has been arranged to meet the opinions of that quasi official body, the State Temperance Committee. The friends of Prohibitory Legislation have had everything their own way—a large majority in the Legislature, and full facilities for trying this final experiment. But as they have had great opportunities, so they have assumed *grave responsibilities. We would not throw any unnecessary doubt in the way of the perfect and general* execution of this law; and it is a simple platitude to say that, if executed, it will render intemperance well nigh impossible—a consummation which no moralist, no statesman will deprecate. But the law may fail—it may prove inoperative, and the difficulties of its execution insuperable. Under these circumstances, it will naturally increase rather than diminish intemperance. Nor is this all. The opponents of the law will demand, with a show of justice, that experiments shall be tried in other directions, and an attempt made to regulate what the Government finds impossible to suppress. But these considerations are rather for the future. Our duty as public journalists is finished for the present, when we commend to all classes an unqualified and cheerful recognition of the dignity of the law and the duty of obedience. It may be hard in its operation, and bear heavily upon personal rights, or what are considered such. But if this shall prove to be its character, future Legislatures will unquestionably modify or repeal it.

It is a curious fact, that fifty-two members were absent yesterday, or did not vote upon the final passage of the bill. Considering the importance of the measure, we must declare this to be utterly inexcusable. When trifling questions are before the House, absence or failure to vote may be considered as venial offences, but this was not by any means a trifling question. Certainly it was one of which Representatives ought to have been willing and even eager to express their opinion. It affected the commercial, the moral, the social, the religious interests of the State, its whole principle has been the subject of general and thorough discussion for several years, and most minds have come to a conclusion respecting its merits. If members dodged yesterday, because they had not been able to make up their minds, their indecision does discredit to their intellects; if they absented themselves because they were afraid to vote, their timidity does them no honor; if they failed in their duty through inadvertence, the State will naturally look for servants whose memories are longer, and whose habits are more methodical. It must be acknowledged, that this bill was specially assigned for yesterday, and did not take the House by surprise. Absentees are therefore in a doubly delicate position. We make these remarks with regret, and without any means of knowing the opin-

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Brooklyn City Court.

This Court was occupied all day yesterday with the trial of Capt. MATHEW GUNNERSON, of the schooner WASP, charged with an assault with intent to kill, committed upon ADAM LOWER, cook on the vessel. The case is still on.

Kings County Almshouse.

A Committee has been directed to examine and report as to the internal affairs of this Almshouse—the number of occupants, their birth-place, how many can read and write, their ages, the number of paupers, and causes of present condition, which, the number of families relieved temporarily by the Superintendents of the Poor since August last, and what number of these are of foreign birth—are some of the duties of the Committee.

Kings County Court of Sessions.

In this Court, held in Brooklyn yesterday, Jacob Bates was placed on trial for shooting at and seriously wounding officer Thomas Rottimont of the Eastern District of Brooklyn. Defendant kept a house of bad repute, and on the 18th of February last a posse of police entered the house and surprised the inmates, for the purpose of breaking it up. An attempt was made to arrest Bate, when he made a desperate resistance and discharged a gun at the officers, wounding several. The case is still on.

Brooklyn Board of Education.

At a special meeting of this Board, held on Tuesday afternoon, it was resolved to erect a School-house at Green Point at a cost of $20,000.

The Special School Fund was fixed at $95,[illegible].

The new Superintendent, J. W. BULKLEY, Esq., assumed the duties of his office at this meeting.

NEW-JERSEY.

Jersey City Treasurer's Report.

The Annual Report of the City Treasurer for the year ending March 15, 1856, was presented to the Common Council on Tuesday evening:

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Treasury March 15, 1855	$3,449 22
Assessments received	11,266 36
Advertising Assessments received	25 75
Bonds payable issued	47,000 41
Salary Engine-house	40 00
Returned from Fire and Water Appropriation	2 00
Fines and Licenses received	5,246 [illegible]
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	579 [illegible]
Received for Extinguishers of Lots	1,040 00
Stoves (material sold)	4 00
Received from State School Fund	1,030 13
Received Taxes for 1851	75 24
Received Taxes for 1852	199 [illegible]
Received Taxes for 1853	5,609 44
Received Taxes for 1854	58,123 39
Received from N. Y. and Erie Railroad Co. for special fire service	50 00
Total receipts	$136,[illegible]

DISBURSEMENTS.

Assessments	$50,121 [illegible]
Elections expenses	2,402 [illegible]
Bonds payable	30,075 00
City Prison expenses	722 [illegible]
Renting and repairing engine-houses	1,084 [illegible]
Paid for fire apparatus	1,017 [illegible]
Repairs on fire and hose-houses, Gamble-street	[illegible]
Office, supplies and printing	1,029 [illegible]
Paid for support of poor	2,013 14
Paid for redemption of lots	[illegible]

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Wolcott and Fillmore—Pungent Correspondence of the Boston Transcript.

WASHINGTON CITY, Monday, March 24, 1856.

The Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser*, after quoting what the Boston *Transcript* said the other day about President FILLMORE having endorsed Mr. Wolcott's letter to Bennett, the Lyons Gazette man, and the denial of that statement by a correspondent of the *Evening Post*, says:

"We have the best reason for believing that Mr. FILLMORE's approval of the letter written by Mr. WEBSTER to Mr. BENSON on the subject of the Lobos Islands, is not endorsed upon the original draft of that letter in the State Department."

The organ of Mr. FILLMORE speaks for him in the article we have quoted. Can it be that there is any qualifying in this article? "Not endorsed upon the original draft of the letter?" Written by Mr. WEBSTER to Mr. BENSON? What is meant here? The letter of the 5th June, 1852, written by Mr. WEBSTER upon the subject of the Lobos Islands, was addressed to JAMES G. JEWETT, and the question of interest is not whether Mr. FILLMORE approved "the original draft of that letter," but whether he approved the draft of that letter which is now on file in the Department of State. If there is any quibble in this denial, Mr. FILLMORE will fail it will not stand the ordeal of the press and people of the United States.

What are the facts? Capt. JEWETT addressed the Secretary of State a letter on the 28th June, 1852, asking if Americans had a right to take guano at the Lobos Islands. Mr. WEBSTER replied on the 5th June, 1852, enclosing the letter, and saying he should send a copy of his letter to the Secretary of the Navy, and suggests that a vessel of war be ordered to repair to the Lobos Islands for the purpose of protecting from molestation any of our citizens who may wish to take guano from them. On the 10th June, 1852, Hon. W. B. GRAHAM, Secretary of the Navy, gave orders to Commodore MCCAULEY, directing him to send one of the ships of the Pacific squadron to protect our citizens taking guano. Messrs. Morgan & Son, of Boston, were advised of this order by the Secretary of the Navy on the same day.

Now, Mr. FILLMORE, by his organ in Buffalo, says he never approved the letter of Mr. WEBSTER; and another organ at Portland recently told us that Mr. WEBSTER, just before his death, went to President FILLMORE, "and mentally took all the blame upon himself." What blame? —for making a claim on Peru, which he reaffirmed and urged at length in his letter of the 21st of August, 1852? Not the blame of sending to the Secretary of the Navy his letter of the 5th June, in order that the Secretary of the Navy should send a ship to protect the Americans in taking guano at the Lobos Islands, of all which MILLARD FILLMORE, President of the United States, then in the city of Washington, was ignorant. Mr. WEBSTER being all the time—he having never seen nor approved of the letter of the 5th June?

What sort of President was Mr. FILLMORE to permit his Secretary of State to set up claims counter to the rights of a nation, and also that claim by the naval force of the United States—all without his knowledge or consent? And this is what is affirmed by FILLMORE's organ.

There is a secret history connected with "the original draft" of this letter which, when revealed, will explain how it happened that Mr. FILLMORE ventured upon the denial of his having approved the letter of DANIEL WEBSTER of the 5th June, 1852, now on the files of the State Department.

This letter of late, like the golden fleece, has become an object of extreme solicitude and desire. President FILLMORE's son was here recently, and now Mr. PARKER, the editor of the Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser*, is in the city; whether to assist the part

New-York Daily Times.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 1855.

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Non-Arrival of the Asiatic.

At 2 o'clock this morning the European steamer *Atlantic* had not arrived off Sandy Hook.

The Black Warrior Case.

The Washington *Union* of Wednesday announces the settlement of the *Black Warrior* difficulty with Spain, thus confirming the statements on that subject contained in our columns recently, both editorially and through our Washington correspondence. It is gratifying that after so long a time this affair has been worried into adjustment, notwithstanding the vexatious delay, and the tergiversation and vacillation of the Spanish Government—almost as disgraceful to the American Administration for permitting it, as to Spain for imposing it upon us.

We have not the least hesitation in asserting that this adjustment was a fixed fact, and familiar to the Administration at least a week ago, and we know not how much longer. The authority given by the organ for the important fact it announces is an extract from a Madrid letter to *Galignani's Messenger*, of Feb. 27, for the accuracy of which the Union vouches, and of course from official information. It is not to be supposed that so important a piece of information as this was communicated to the Paris press in advance of the Government of the United States. It is clear then that the President knew this exact fact before the night dawn out, on Saturday last, with its blood and thunder pronunciamento on the *El Dorado* outrage. The "discreet," but discreditable silence of the Government was broken, and its mastery inactivity terminated as soon as the open question had been put beyond the reach of harm.

Spain doubtless understands by the past, exactly what is to be the programme for the future, unless indeed, the President should conclude that it is time to begin to make at least an effort to redeem his Inaugural pledge. The *El Dorado* begins just like the *Black Warrior* case. The "outrage" opened the ball; the *Union* denounces it, picks up courage, blusters about National honor, and tells Spain in most fearless terms that we must have, and will have indemnity for the past, and security for the future; that "our peaceful relations with Spain cannot long be maintained"—a conviction "which cannot be too earnestly impressed upon the public mind"—and that the Executive will not shrink from his responsibility in the premises. This is as far as the *El Dorado* chapter has got now. It is an easily read tale to Spain, for it is old and familiar to her as a nursery rhyme. And she confidently anticipates the remainder of the chapter, relying upon the immutability of the general law—"Like produces like."

There is certainly nothing alarming to her in the prospect. A year or two's diplomatic sparring, with occasional interludes in the interest while waiting "for news from Havana," giving to the diplomatic time to recuperate their energies and reinforce their stock of weapons, offensive and defensive, will afford agreeable pastime to Señor Pacheco, and give Minister Dodge an opportunity to fire thundering pop-guns. If at last, our Spanish ally is brought to the mark and compelled to settle, she will be no worse off; while the chances are ten to one she will slip out of it altogether by some diplomatic evasion or juggle.

Grow away, Mr. *Union*; you seem to enjoy it; and even if your course *is* such as would, under ordinary circumstances, tend to debase and degrade the character of the American administration in connection with the foreign relations of the country, you can't do any harm in this instance, for the simple reason that the lowest depths have already been reached.

One sentence in the *Union's* article is significant. Indeed it seems to be its essential point, for the sake of which the entire article was written. The organ takes pains to set forth that "in Mr. Marcy's dispatch of Nov. 15, 1854, to Mr. Soulé in reply to the report of the Ostend Conference, he intimated distinctly that as to the *Black Warrior* affair the time to adjustment could hardly be considered as closed. He added, that 'although the late Spanish Minister of Foreign Relations rejected our demands in that case, the present Minister has distinctly indicated a willingness to recede from the position of his predecessors. He has asked for our views in writing upon the reply which his Government had made to our demands, and accompanied his request with an assurance that 'he would take it into most serious consideration and act upon it.' Mr. Marcy therefore instructed Mr. Soulé to communicate to the Spanish Government his dispatch of June 30, 1854, in reply to Mr. Calderon's dispatch refusing to comply with our demand for satisfaction in the *Black Warrior* case. On the 5th of December, 1854, Mr. Soulé communicated to the Spanish Government Mr. Marcy's dispatch of June 30, 1854; *but no reply was made to it by the Spanish Government prior to Mr. Soulé's resignation and withdrawal from Madrid.*" The italics are our own. The Organ—that is his President—desires it to be distinctly understood that after Mr. Soulé opened there was no difficulty in coming to an understanding forthwith. In the face of this, will the lower organ—who so long and so pertinaciously declared that there was any Convention at Ostend—support their bold assertions of the diplomatic talents exhibited for each other by the administration, the President, and members of the Cabinet?

One point more: Will the *Union* enlighten us upon it? It looks to us as though the organ's bluster of Saturday and Sunday last, was a sort of manufactured affair, designed for effect,—that it was a sham exhibition of patriotic courage and pride, intended to enhance the value of the *Black Warrior* denouement it was to usher in. Now we would like to know whether this latter is to be considered as having appeased the Administration's anger and vengeance? Or is there really any possibility of a jolly row over the *El Dorado* affair? It is clear that the public don't anticipate the latter. Why is this? Surely not because the outrage upon the mail steamer is a trivial affair. Had it occurred three years ago without being atoned on the instant, the whole world would have cried shame! But now few presses notice it, and scarce a dozen express the slightest dissatisfaction with it. It is to be feared that the inefficiency of our foreign policy of late years has first disgusted the nation, and then demoralized it. The heart of the nation has become careless and callous to indignities which ought to stir the blood of every lover of his country; and it is to be feared there will be little improvement until the *hopes* of the people are revived by a change of National Administration.

The British Legion in America.

The waves of war dashing over the Crimea have suddenly extended their circle to this Continent, and in our midst can be encountered a breath of the commotion at present convulsing Western Europe. John Bull has been compelled to erect the halberts of his recruiting sergeants in our Atlantic cities, to recruit the skeleton of an army annihilated within a single campaign. The endeavor of Colonel Chesney to organize a Foreign Legion in London, one which Aberdeen contemplated to embrace some forty thousand men, has proved a magnificent failure, for, after months of recruiting, the body musters less than three hundred men. At the instigation of a few young men in this City, several of whom are noted for their filibustering propensities, the scene of labor has been changed to this Hemisphere, and, during the last four days, depôts have been opened in this City, Philadelphia and Baltimore, where "emigrants for Halifax" are being enrolled in considerable numbers; in Philadelphia particularly, a *furore* seized upon the foreign population, as more than a full company has been mustered upon each successive evening. In our own metropolis, where the affair has been conducted with greater secrecy and reserve, the lager bier shops and corner groceries, as well as one of our first-class hotels, have been thronged with applicants for positions among the rank and file of the Foreign Legion, and notwithstanding the existence of a strong Russian feeling, which, however, appears confined to our native born citizens, it is apparent that ten thousand men can be speedily furnished Her Majesty's collection of manuscript legionnaires. Indeed, the only lack of men at present experienced, is among those intended to form the American Rifle Battalion, all of whose officers, and a vast proportion of the volunteers, were intended to be confined to natives of this soil.

This vast scheme of recruiting, although carried on beneath the implied sanction of Sir Edmund B. Head, Governor-General of Canada, has received but a comparative encouragement from the British Government. Some few weeks back, an application was made to Mr. Crampton, at Washington, to authorize the formation of an American battalion to serve during the continuance of the war in the East, to be armed, equipped and transmitted to the Crimea at the expense of Her Britannic Majesty's Government. That gentleman unhesitatingly declined to countenance the project, fearing an implied infraction of the neutrality laws, and the matter rested in quiescence until the arrival of a "private" gentleman, who unhesitatingly accepted the propositions and perfected arrangements for the enrolment of the men, not in this City, but in the port of Halifax, where the vacated barracks await the arrival of the expected legionnaires. The "emigrants" assembled in a body, the commissions of the officers will be extended them as they are elected to their several grades, and the enlistment of the men is to be completed in strict pursuance of the agreement originally entered into. It was simply anticipated that a single battalion, or at the most, regiment, would be instituted. Still, the terms having been seized upon with avidity by the forlorn and houseless population, allured to tempt their fortunes in this land of the West after revolutionary reverses, expelling them from the places of their nativity, there remains little doubt but that several will be created. "It is better," says the Holstein soldier, "to die well-fed upon the Crimea than to beg soup in the streets of New-York."

Never at any time could have been selected a more propitious moment for the raising of a numerous and reputable series of regiments for any foreign service than the present. The sharp pecuniary difficulties of the past few months; the unfortunate disbandment of the filibuster forces, the failure of the Kinney Expedition, and the general unsettledness of our people, have conspired to render the floating population of the City ready to grasp at any tangible method of relief from their existing difficulties. The advent of the British emissary could not be otherwise than hailed with an ebullition of delight, and therefore we cannot wonder at the rapidity with which his offers are embraced. As the matter now stands, however, commissions are being promised with a degree of laxity purely ridiculous, and as the promiscuousness of the recipients increases, the respectability of the legion has degenerated, until a better Falstaffian array could not be manufactured into food for powder, since their prototypes of the days of the worthy Prince Hal. For the sake of our country's honor let not England judge of us by the manner here, by the scruple of heroes enrolled in our name to represent us on the plains of the Crimea.

It is a matter of sincere congratulation to ascertain that the greater portion of American born citizens, who originally contemplated the organization of this auxiliary force for the allies in the Crimea, have concluded to withdraw from the enterprise. Many of these gentlemen have either served in the Mexican war, or have been identified with the various filibuster movements of the few past years, and offered their services to Her Britannic Majesty, in the fervent hope of gathering around them a body of Americans, worthy of obtaining renown and reputation for themselves and their companions in arms. In this expectation they have been disappointed, as an *indirect preference* has been given *to a* worthless rabble of immigrant refugees, naturally inferior in courage and dexterity to the natives of the soil, two-thirds of whom would be actuated to enlist more from the sake of excitement and of novelty than for the paltry recompense they were to receive for their services. Indeed, they were inclined to avail themselves of the golden opportunity, as much to exhibit the natural pugnacity of our race as to gratify a passing curiosity to visit scenes of interest, familiar to them by repute, and beyond their means to view under ordinary circumstances. No feeling of friendliness, of sympathy, or even of lucre would actuate their breasts in enrolling beneath the British banner; they were inclined to serve, and most faithfully too, to demonstrate the superiority of American skill and courage, and to exhibit to the heroes of England and France their superiors from the Far West.

We are not astonished that the English Government have turned their attention to the creation of a Foreign Legion from the United States, as every inducement to enlist the foreign population of that country, having failed as much from the ridicule and contempt by which the project has been assailed by the British press, as from the reluctance of the resident foreigners themselves to serve a country, whose citizens have suffered every species of contumely to be heaped upon their misfortunes, and who, at the very last gasp, have chosen to avail themselves of their physical aid, it is apparent that the last hope for the British Ministry lies in this quarter. England at the present period is bankrupt of men; her army before Sebastopol is the very shadow of a form, and to expect its recruiting in a land, already drained, exhibits positive insanity; consequently from the fertile resources of this country, composed of the discontented refuse of Europe, can be readily drawn a powerful and numerous army, provided pecuniary inducements be extended to the shiftless wanderers. In one rendezvous alone we are informed that more than one thousand applications were voluntarily made to the officer charged with recruitment. Certainly this solitary fact affords a prolific theme for commentary, and must be taken as a startling evidence of the natural restlessness of our floating population.

Native-born Americans seem willing to assume commands, more on account of the certainty of their pay, the well-known liberality of the British Government in the matter of pensions, and the promise extended them of being continued in their relative ranks, after the war, or of being permitted to retire upon half-pay. Hundreds of volunteer officers, who have served with distinction in Mexico, conceiving themselves neglected by our own Government, are ready to embrace an offer securing them a competency for the remainder of their lives, or a liberal pension for their widows, in chance they fall in battle. Beyond this, the disbandment of the various filibuster expeditions have thrown into the market a vast amount of available military skill and undoubted personal courage. With regard to the privates, however, none of these inducements exist, and therefore we can readily imagine that difficulties will naturally interpose in filling out the scheme contemplated. Notwithstanding this, a large number of that class of our community, known as the "roughs," have kindly volunteered their physical aid in swelling the ranks of the Legion, actuated, as expressed in the language of a recruit, drawn from a butcher's shamble on the near side of the Bowery, by the hope of "showing them 'ere puddin'-headed Britishers the right way to take down Sebastopool."

The Poole Case.

Councilman Kerrigan was yesterday admitted to bail in the sum of $5,000; one-half of the amount originally required. On the previous day, James Irving found means to escape from custody, by discovering that he possessed a friend worth $10,000. Two of the principal accessories to the murder of Poole and the flight of Baxter have thus been set free, and they will rejoice in their liberty till the day of trial; at which time it is quite probable they will find other friends, fully devoted and effective. Mr. Kerrigan may felicitate himself upon his release from custody. He has been in confinement for several days. His dignity as a public official, and his self-respect as a man, have been wounded by incarceration, like a common felon, in the City Prison. That he was unable to escape until his bail-bonds were reduced, is a significant indication that his friends lacked either funds to release him, or confidence to trust him. We regret that either the Councilman or the man Irving were allowed to go at liberty, until a Jury had decided upon their case. The precedent is not good; nor do we believe that parties who shall be proved to have been accessories to the murder of Poole or the escape of Baxter, will eventually find favor. The circumstances of the murder are daily recalled to remembrance by the proceedings in the Law Courts. Two writs of *habeas corpus* have already been sued out, and in both instances have proved successful. The exact point at which these measures are to stop, is not indicated with especial clearness. We may reasonably expect that the remainder of the subjects now in confinement will be speedily released,—perhaps on reduced bail, and, probably, never to return.

The offer of a reward for the murderers Baxter was made the occasion of a very animated debate in the Board of Aldermen last evening. The Board refused to concur with the Board of Councilmen in the offer of a reward of $5,000. The reasons assigned for non-concurrence were that the pursuit is now in progress; that the Police deserve no extra pay for performing ordinary duty; that the effect of a large reward would be future inefficiency in the Police Department; and that the offer of the sum named would not stimulate the action of the officers who are now on board the *Grapeshot*. These arguments prevailed, and the Board refused to concur. In the interval, the *Jewett*, having Baxter on board, is actively pursued by the Police in Mr. Law's *Grapeshot*; and the Courts are preparing for the trial of such guilty parties as are safe in the hands of Justice.

Powers of Police Justices.

Police Justice Clark has been sustained by the Court of Sessions in his recent refusal to entertain a complaint which was preferred in his Court. No satisfactory evidence having been produced, Mr. Clark declined to issue a warrant; and for that act was indicted by the Grand Jury. He appeared in Court yesterday, and demanded a trial on the indictment. The Recorder and City Judge concurred in justifying his conduct, on the ground that a Police Justice who is not satisfied with the character of the testimony produced by a complainant, is not compelled to issue a warrant for the arrest of the accused party. This decision is of some importance.

Election of a Regent.

Erastus C. Benedict, Esq., of this City, was yesterday elected a Regent of the University. He received 19 votes in the Senate, and 72 in the Assembly. This is an excellent choice. Mr. Benedict is widely known as an able lawyer, a distinguished friend of Education, and a sound and reliable man. As President of the Board of Education, he has exercised a marked influence upon the School interests of the City and the State; and his experience, acquired in that arduous position, will give great weight to his acts in the Board of Regents.

Church Tenures Bill.

Our correspondent at Albany informs us that Senator Putnam's bill regulating the tenure of Church property was read a third time in the Senate yesterday, and passed by a vote of 28 against 4. Rev. Senator Goodwin is reported as having been absent when the vote was taken.

Bull-Beef in the Crystal Palace.

There is a bill before the State Senate to incorporate an association of gentlemen who propose turning the Crystal Palace into a market-place for the sale of beef and pork and sausages. *Sic transit gloria palatii.*

Musical.

Niblo's Garden.—If every one could sell himself to the Enemy when he is unfortunate, that Potentate would have a large and influential kingdom. It is a melancholy fact that when man *does* make an arrangement of the kind, he becomes the hero of his age—if we may believe its literature. The principal character in "Der Freischutz" is comparatively vacillating and innocent, but he negotiates with the Fiend, and is therefore interesting.

Ten years ago the unfortunate Mr. Palmo produced this opera in the theatre now occupied more prosperously by Mr. Burton. Many of our readers will be familiar with the plot. For those who are not, we subjoin the following analysis:

Max, one of the rangers of Prince Ottocar of Bohemia, is deeply in love with Agatha. His ill success at a target shooting produces, at the opening of the act, much mockery from the peasants, which provokes him to assault Kilian with a drawn knife in hand, and at the moment when the peasants surround him, Cuno and Caspar enter with others and prevent further disturbance. Caspar, also a ranger, supposed in league with the demon huntsman, and delighted at the ill luck of his comrade Max, endeavors to entrate him also into an alliance with the evil one, by holding before him the advantage of the never-failing charmed bullets, procured from the fiend. A prize shooting, originating in an old legend, is to take place, at which, in strict adherence to ancient custom, Cuno bestows his office and daughter's hand to him who proves himself the best marksman. This fact leaves Max no time for reflection, and he consents to meet Caspar at midnight in the Wolf's Glen, (a place reputed to be the haunt of the demon huntsman,) to be present at the casting of the charmed bullets.

In Act 2, Anchen, a gay hearted young girl related to Agatha, endeavors to amuse the latter, who sees a bad omen for the safe return of her lover. Max, in the accidental falling of an ancient family likeness, which in its fall wounded her slightly. Shortly after Max enters in great agitation; Agatha, alarmed, entreats him to tell the cause thereof, and her alarm increases to deep felt fear when she learns that Max has inevitably to go at this late hour to the Wolf's Glen.

In Act 3, Caspar is preparing for the casting of the bullets in the Wolf's Glen; the clock strikes twelve, and he begins the ceremony for the hellish charm, imploring the aid of Samiel, the Demon Huntsman, to whom he promises to sacrifice his comrade Max for a prolongation of his compact with him. This is accepted by the fiend, and it is agreed that the seventh bullet shall be guided by him against his victim's bride. Max appears on the height of the rocks, hesitating, and terrified at the fearful abyss before him; he sees the apparitions of his Mother and Agatha, warning him not to descend; but dared by Caspar, and believing all to be delusion, he descends, enters the circle surrounded by skulls. The work commences, and with the cast of each bullet, more terrifying apparitions bewilder them both. When the seventh ball is cast, the clock strikes one; the fiend is powerless, and the seventh final bullet loses its charm.

In Act 4, Max entreats Caspar to let him have another of the charmed bullets, which is not granted as Caspar intends the seventh and supposed fatal one to preserve for himself, for the Prize Shooting. Agatha, after a restless night and trembling for the safety of her lover in the Wolf's Glen, is engaged in prayer for the same, while Anachen entering her, bears the bridesmaids approach, and hastens to get the Bridal Wreath, in presenting it to Agatha it is found to their dismay to be a death wreath. Anachen quickly puts it aside and sets a wreath of fresh roses on Agatha's brow. Prince Ottocar allows Max, who is introduced by Cuno to the chosen one, the first shot at the prize shooting, assigning as his aim a white dove sitting on a tree. At this moment, when Max is about to fire, Agatha appears among the others crying, "Do not shoot, I [illegible]

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Prof. Henry on Human Progress.

This (Friday) evening the University Alumni lecture will be delivered by Prof. C. S. Henry. His subject is "Human Progress, or the Historical Destination of Mankind"—analogous, it will be seen, to the topic of Mr. Bancroft's Historical Discourse, which created so great a sensation last Fall. The subject will require two lectures to dispose of it. The second will be delivered a week from to-night. We bespeak a full house. It takes place at the University, on Washington-square, at 7½ P. M. Those who have read the few discourses of this sort which Dr. Henry has been induced to deliver, will know what to look for in his treatment of the subject, and we presume will be gratified with the same depth and vigor of thought, mastery of his subject, and force of expression, which have eminently characterized his former productions of this kind.

Damages Recovered.

At the Westchester Court last week, an action was brought by William H. Hulse, of Fishkill, to recover damages against the Hudson River Railroad Company for spraining and otherwise injuring his ankle and leg on the occasion of the running off of a train of cars, (on board of which he was a passenger) by the negligence of a man who had left the switch open. Verdict for plaintiff $2,750.

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To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Sir: In a brief editorial paragraph, this Paper regards in the Times of the 14th inst., you say that—"The folly of spending thousands to secure the capture of Baxter is cured up by the consideration to which all have come, that the fugitive left the brig in the Bay, and in even now shuffling down the fields of New-Jersey,"—adding that "twenty thousand dollars for a culprit, when so many go unpunished in our midst, would be rather dear, &c.

I have been a constant reader of the Times for the past two years, and have seldom found an editorial article which I could not fully endorse. Your sentiments will usually stand the test of reason and common sense. The above extract, however, forms an exception; you have there come very wide the mark, in your estimate of the value of a human life. It would have been "folly" for New-York to have incurred an expense of twenty thousand dollars in bringing a noted murderer to justice. The City Authorities were, for a time, seriously mistaken as to the legitimate course which should be pursued, but I am confident that the citizens would ultimately have given double this amount, had it been required, to secure the arrest of Baxter, had not the generosity of one man rendered it unnecessary.

This estimating the value of personal security in dollars and cents is decidedly a new idea—an application of the golden rule with a vengeance. Where is "the majesty of the law" if it is circumscribed by such a principle as this? Or what is the protection of life which the law affords worth, if it be "folly" for the largest City in the Union to incur an expense of a few thousand dollars, for the purpose of bringing the murderer of one of her citizens to justice? Surely, crime may be considered as being in the ascendant, when the proper execution of the law shall be thus restricted.

It does not necessarily follow, as one Alderman contends, because "Poole's life was not worth $5,000," that that amount should not be expended in securing his arrest; but, on the contrary, taking advantage of the favorable circumstances, the authorities should exert themselves to the utmost, and resort to every lawful means within their power, in endeavoring to break up and extermination, if necessary, this clan of desperadoes, which has so long disgraced the streets of New-York, in defiance of all law and authority. The recent developments, showing that the police to an alarming extent were privy to, if not abettors in, Baxter's escape from the house in Cambridge, gives us some idea of the dangerous influence he was able to exert, and the confidence and impunity with which he committed the crime.

As to the other idea set forth in the above extract, I will only say that it is not yet quite clear to my mind that the murderer, Baxter, should be permitted to escape, simply because a thousand and one other criminals are suffered to go at large in the City of New-York.

Yours, respectfully, W.

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Misdelayed yet Honorably.

Mr. LETTERBOW, the Speaker, has a bearing and a large, warm eye, which now lies in a mass of indescribable energy and decision. During the day he had spoken four hours with great earnestness, yet he insisted that he felt none the worse for it, except a little hoarseness. He walked a military speech. His manner is earnest and impressive. He speaks, rebuttes sarkastically, and [illegible] as well as by repetition. He adopts this style as a fault. It is not a favorite one with us, but it is calculated to make an abiding impression on a practical audience. He will drive home his argument by repeated blows, till the dullest comprehension has received it; and an intelligent child will hardly fail to remember the most of a four hours' speech. Many, however, especially those accustomed to the "fast" way of living and speaking of the West, demand more rapidity. "Yes—we understand—we're dwelt long enough, here—we've—we're in a hurry," will be the comments of a Hoosier, or a Sucker, or a Wolverine. LETTERBOW's voice is well adapted to a large house. He speaks mostly in the "pure tone," and his lowest utterings are heard distinctly in the furthest corner of the Assembly Chamber, which, by the way, is unsurpassed in the United States for its acoustic excellence.

Mr. FITCH, of Franklin, who made a speech of great power on the day of SEWARD's election, is a man of solid appearance, whose style is at the antipodes of LETTERBOW. He speaks with ease and facility, without repetition or contortion, with little energy, rather intensive, few fine turns or effective flights, and very agreeably and satisfactorily.

Mr. LEGGETT, of New-York, prominent as an advocate of the Liquor Law, is a man of very plain and unassuming manner, of face, who meets one with cordiality, and gives the impression of integrity and fixed views.—Cor. Chicago Tribune.

A Southern Candidate for the Presidency.

The Charleston *Mercury* of the 14th inst., is copying an article from a Columbus paper, advising a joint Convention of Whigs and Democrats to select a Southern candidate for the Presidency, then speaks of FRANKLIN PIERCE:

"We cannot understand why the Southern people should feel any necessity for hunting up a candidate for the Presidency. We have a President who has faithfully performed his duties; who has in no one instance failed to defend the constitutional rights of the South; and we cannot, if we hunt the whole country over, expect to find a truer man than PRESIDENT PIERCE. Why need we trouble ourselves about a candidate? We have tried the President and know what he is.

"What pledges could Mr. DICKINSON, or any other candidate give, that would weigh against the tried firmness and worth of Gen. PIERCE? We have fallen upon bad times; full of confusion, and doubt, and distrust. But it is hoped that we are not so far gone that we cannot trust those who have been weighed in the balance and not found wanting; and it is especially to be hoped that we have not yet reached that low and worst condition of all, when men believe there is no longer any obligation to reciprocate good faith in others, and to apply friendship with friendship."

Position in the Strode Expedition.

The following letter from Lieut. STRAIN to a gentleman connected with the Darien Exploring Expedition, or a volunteer, corrects any possible misapprehension as to the conduct of those members of the party who were separated from it on the third day of the exploration:

NEW-YORK, Sunday, March 17, 1856.

MY DEAR WINTHROP: It appears that the article for the March number of *Harper's Magazine*, entitled "The Darien Expedition," has given an impression to some persons that you and others unfortunately abandoned the party. In justice to all I take this opportunity to correct such impression. My recent personal interviews with you have definitely established the fact, in my mind, that not only was it the intention of Mr. HOLCOMB, yourself and those who accompanied you, to have remained by the expedition at all hazards, but that you made every effort to rejoin us. A mistake as to our intended course, now fully explained, confirmed your impression from me, and though for a time doubts existed on my mind, as well as your own, as to the cause of this separation, those doubts are now fully removed.

The letter addressed to you by Capt. HOLLINS, in my absence, is full evidence of your desire to join, and if necessary, to relieve the party.

I have requested Mr. HEADLEY to append the substance of this letter in a note to the article in *Harper's Magazine*.

Very truly, yours, J. M. STRAIN.

Mr. THOS. WINTHROP,
No. 18 William-street, New-York.

Yankee Clock-making—What Boys make of all the Timbers!

From the New-Haven Palladium, March 17.

The clock business of the country, and so of the world, is done in Connecticut. It is thought that the capital, yearly invested, is now $300,000, and that the annual business now amounts to $1,500,000. Of this, one-half is done in this city, one-fourth in Bristol, and one-fourth in Plymouth; and from 12 to 1500 men, with families, derive their support.

The number of clocks made by the Jerome Manufacturing Co., of New-Haven, is 300,000 a year, 30,000 per month, and 900 per day, embracing five different varieties. The highest wholesale price per dozen, is $100; the lowest, $10. To produce them, they annually consume the following raw materials:

Pine Lumber	2,500,000 feet.
Seasoned and Rewarped	1,000,000 feet.
Brass, Sheet	60,000
Brass of Clock	1,000
Brass of Rods	1,000
Iron	600 tons.
Steel	200 bbls.
Tin and Cast Brass	150 tons.
Varnish	100 bbls.
Glass	30 tons.

Their lumber is obtained directly from Maine and Northern New-York. The other materials are mainly if not wholly purchased in New-York City.

An Attempt to Retake Stateen Slaves on a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

From the Cincinnati Commercial, March 15.

The steamer *Falls City*, Capt. SAM. MASON, arrived here about 8 o'clock on Saturday night, from Wheeling en route for St. Louis, having on board sixteen slaves in custody of their owner. During the whole of yesterday gangs of negroes, accompanied with a few whites, were seen in groups about the gangway. Once or twice a portion of them ventured on the boat, but were promptly driven off, and during the day a party were observed endeavoring to force open the door of a state-room, in which were a couple of female slave children. From the vigilance of the officers and crew no attempts were made during the day, but about 9 o'clock last evening Mr. H. B. BRAKWELL, of unenviable notoriety, accompanied by one of the Deputy Sheriffs, came on board armed with a writ of habeas corpus and demanded the slaves. But their owner had foreseen this issue and at dark had very quietly conveyed them in a yawl to the Kentucky shore. They will remain in Covington until the *Falls City* is ready to leave, when she will go over and take them on board.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

☞ Now is the time for Purifying the Blood, and invigorating the system, so as to be prepared for sudden changes incident to the sudden change from Winter to spring.

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☞ The Wonderful Healer—Dr. SOLGER'S [illegible] in the above course. THIS EVENING at Clinton Hall, Assembly Rooms, Clinton-st. The Wonderful Cure Performed—The Best Proof—Hear or Prove!—Prospectus of Europe in other Cols. Tickets 50 cents.

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PERSONAL.

INFORMATION WANTED.—A little girl by the name of CATHARINE McNALLY, was taken from Bellevue Hospital on the 8th January last by a woman who represented herself as her mother. Her mother is now in the Hospital and has been ever since, and has not seen Mr. Higgins, No. 640 Grand-st., said girl was about 2 years of age, light hair, blue eyes, and large front teeth. Whoever will give information that may lead to the discovery of the whereabouts of the above mentioned child shall be liberally rewarded, and will relieve a mother's anxiety. GEO. KELLOCK, Jr.,
Chairman Committee on Lost Children.
OFFICE GOVERNORS OF THE ALMSHOUSE,
NEW-YORK, March 13, 1856.

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MATRIMONIAL.—A young lady of respectable and intelligent family in this City or vicinity possessing $10,000, which, after her decease, will revert to her, is desirous to meet with a suitable partner. If gentleman of age, of strictly sober and religious character, well educated, decidedly good looking, kind, affectionate, and with the best of references, can send name and address, address confidentially, X. Y. Z., Unionsquare Post-Office.

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BOARDING.—A few single gentlemen, or gentleman with their wives, can be boarded in a private family, in a first-class house, by applying at No. 128 16th-st., a few doors from 2d-av.

BOARDING.—A gentleman and his wife can obtain board with a pleasant room, in good order, at 134 Henry-st. Room and Board for one or two single gentlemen.

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BOARD WANTED.—By a young gentleman, in a private family, or where there are but very few others, location between 5th and 2d-av., in the vicinity of Broadway. Address, with particulars, A. D., Box No. 715 Post-Office.

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BOARD IN BROOKLYN.—At No. 105 Schermerhorn-st., near Smith-st., pleasant rooms to suit or separately can be had. The apartments are well furnished, the house pleasantly situated from 10 to 15 minutes walk from the ferries.

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BOARD IN JERSEY CITY.—Pleasant rooms with board, a few minutes walk from the Ferry, at Mrs. VALENTINE'S, No. 10 Essex-st.

ROOMS WANTED.—By two gentlemen, two well furnished bedrooms adjoining each other, in or near 4th-av., between 10th and 16th-sts., for which a moderate price will be given. A front and back room in an English boarding house preferred. Would not go above first floor. Address, during the week, pre-paid, CHAS. CRANE, Union-square Post-Office.

ROOM WANTED.—An unfurnished room, by the 1st of May, in a respectable family, by an elderly lady of quiet habits, desired to do, as the world be done by. Address C. H., *Daily* Times Office, for one week. Best references given and required.

ROOMS FOR GENTLEMEN.—Gentlemen can find a nicely furnished room, with or without bedroom attached, in a private family at No. 13 16th-st., between 6th and 7th-avs. The house has the modern improvements, and breakfast will be served in the room, if required. No moving in May.

ROOM WANTED.—By a young man of quiet habits in a house having the convenience of a bath, a furnished bedroom without board; will be permanent if suited. Address, with terms, which must be moderate, P. C., Times Office.

ROOMS.—A suite of rooms, and single rooms for gentlemen, may be had No. 208 Greene-st., near Waverley-place. Private breakfast if desired.

COUNTRY BOARD WANTED.—From the 1st of June, for a family of ten grown persons, in some agreeable and healthy place near the City, and of convenient access to the City. Good accommodations will be required. Address C. E. L., Times Office, stating terms, location, and references.

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SITUATION WANTED.—By a respectable woman, as a small private family, to take care of children or to do light housework. In a family where a good cook is kept, she would prefer to do plain sewing. Has no objection to go a short distance in the country. Has the best of City references. Apply at No. 129 East 16th-st. near 1st-av., third floor, front room.

SITUATIONS WANTED.—By two respectable young girls, as cook, or general servant, or chambermaid and nurse, or assist in sewing; would go out of town with the family; or would go out for a short time, as cook, washer and ironer, in a private family. Have lived down town in the best families. Have the best of City references. Please call at No. 128 16th-st., between 2d and 3d-avs., first door on the left.

SITUATION WANTED.—By a respectable young woman, as cook. Has the best of City references given. Has no objection to go a short distance in the country. Apply at No. 128 Chambers-st., second door from the corner of West-st.

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SITUATION WANTED.—As nurse and assistant, by a Protestant, the excellent references. Can be seen the remainder of the week, at No. 143 East 26th-st., between 3d and 2d-avs., third floor, room No. 11.

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E. S. WOODS, Secretary.

VETERANS OF THE WAR OF 1812.—A special meeting of the Society will be held at the house of Samuel Ward, Washington-st., on FRIDAY, the 14th inst., at 7 P. M., on business of the Society.
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Jan. 1. Pete Wilson—mortally stabbed at Downieville, by a Mr. Hutton, who escaped. Slept, sleepless [illegible]

Jan. 7. Samuel Kingsbury—killed by Mr. Johnson, and the [illegible] by the order of King, in the street, Los Angeles.

Jan. 8. [illegible] murdered, (disguised by white [illegible]) in the vicinity of Nueva Guatemala—[illegible] Los Angeles.... Nicolas Hernandez—a German—stabbed and robbed in Calaveras County.

Jan. 10. John Alvino—hung for murder, at Los Angeles, by the Sheriff.... David Brown—hung by the people, on the same day, in the same town, for the same crime.

Jan. 12—[illegible] Wm. Lamb, of Cleaves; Mr. [illegible], of Mokelumne; Charles K. Prosser, of Vermont; Chester H. Dunham, of Vermont; Wm. Webster, of Wisconsin; Thomas O'Neill, of Louisiana; and John [illegible], of New Hampshire—killed at Orleans Bar, Klamath County.—7 [illegible]

Jan. 14—John Murphy—recently shot by John [illegible], in San Francisco.

Jan. 16—James Morris, from New-York—hung by Judge Lynn, at Nevada, for murdering Robert Craig, of Tuolumne.

Jan. 17—Martin Hennessy—mortally shot in Calaveras, by a gambler; in the course of his duty.... A Chinaman—mortally stabbed by a compatriot, in a gambling table fight, at Mokelumne Hill.

Jan. 18—Joseph Spicer, Deputy Treasurer of Tuolumne County—murdered, at 9 P. M., in Sonora, by Edward Cross Griffith, who then robbed the office of $17,[illegible]. Griffith was arrested, tried by the people, and convicted during the night. He confessed the crime, and was hung by Lynch law at daylight.... Rivera, an ex-alcalde Felipe—stabbed and mortally wounded, by Diego Nieto, in Los Angeles County.

Jan. 19. Salvador Valdez, Celedonio, Juan, Gregorio, and Juan Sonda, Chilenos—convicted by a Lynch jury of stealing cattle in Amador County—hung. Valdez, [illegible]

Jan. 20. Dominick, a Mexican, stabbed and killed at Quartzburg, by Franklin Pedlin.... An escaped convict—name not known—in Carmel Hollow, by Stanislaus Gregory, of Mokelumne Hill, tried at Yreka for the murder of J. F. Kirk—hung.

Jan. 22. Frederick Oldman alias Stamp, shot and killed by W. R. Backus, in San Francisco.

Jan. 23. Lazar C. Rogers, killed at Yreka by Jacob Williams, in self-defence, in San Francisco.

Jan. 27. William Bay, tried for the murder of James Kennedy—acquitted.

Jan. 28. William Clay, murdered by a person unknown.... A Chinaman, found murdered and robbed opposite Marysville.

Jan. 29. George Stanton—hung by Lynch law at Hangtown for horse stealing.... David Ritchie—killed at Hennessy's Diggings, by Edward Jones.... A Mexican, name unknown—fatally wounded at "The Gates," Amador County, by his companion.... A horse thief, name unknown—killed in Corral Hollow, while trying to escape, by Sheriff Kirk, of Stanislaus County.... An escaped convict—retaken and convicted by Lynch law, at Red Bluff, of stealing a mule—hung.

Feb. 21. John W. Riggins—murder in Shasta Valley, Charles Sexton and William Longhaney, arrested on a charge of the crime.

RECAPITULATION.

Total killed—38. Hung by the Sheriff—1. Hung by Lynch law—[illegible]

MARKET REPORTS.

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THURSDAY, March 22, 1855, P. M.

ASHES—Are selling briefly at $6½ for both kinds, [illegible] 100 lbs. The stock is still light.

COFFEE—Has not varied much. The sales reach 800 bags Rio at 11c.@11½c; and 450 Maracaibo at 11½c.@ 12c. W.S. Holders do not offer their supplies very freely.

COTTON—The market is less active, but is quite firm, pending the receipt of the *Africa's* news, now over due. We quote:

	NEW-YORK MANUFACTURERS.			
	Plain.	Fancy.	Mix.	N.O. and Tex.
Spinning	[illegible]	0	0	0
Mixing	0	8½	9½	9½
Middling Fair	10	10½	10½	10½
Fair	10½	10½	11½	11½

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western brands are of but moderate request, ready for home use, but as there is not a great deal offering and as the receipts are quite small, prices are without essential variation. Good common and medium grades are now the most wanted. Fancy and extra brands are rather inactive. The day's sales reach 4,600 bbls. within our range:

Superfine State	$6 81@	6 87	$6 62@	6 69
Straight State	6 90@	6 87½	6 75@	6 81
Mixed State	7 00@	7 06	6 87@	6 93
Round Hoop Ohio	7 12@	7 18	6 87@	6 93
Common to Good Indiana and Michigan	7 37@	7 43	7 00@	7 06
Fancy Michigan	7 68@	7 75	7 00@	7 06
Common to Good Ohio	7 37@	7 43	7 75	
Fancy Ohio	7 75@	7 81	7 62@	7 68
Extra Ohio	7 87@	8 12	7 75@	7 81
Extra Indiana and Michigan	7 93@	8 00	7 87@	7 93
Fancy Genesee	10 00@	10 50	10 00@	10 50
Extra Genesee	11 50@	12 75		

Canadian is quiet and rather inactive. The sales reached 1,000 bbls., Ext., at $8 25@8 75 ⅌ bbl. for [illegible]

GRAIN—Wheat is in good demand at buoyant prices. There is very little of any kind in market. The sales reach 7,000 bushels prime Genesee White at $2 70; 800 bushels Southern do. on private terms; and 1,200 Upper Lake at $2 ½. A sale was announced of 5,000 bushels Canadian White, from at $2 [illegible]; but the vessel has not arrived, and has been positively [illegible]. The large parcel of Genesee mentioned [illegible] for the proprietors of the Croton Mills of this City. The quality was very superior, and the price was the highest ever obtained in our market. Corn is heavy at lot. Rye is dull and heavy. 500 bushels Northern at $1 [illegible] delivered. Oats large parcels could scarcely be sold for more than $1 [illegible] ⅌ bushel. Barley is coarse and quiet. A small lot of Southern was taken at $1 [illegible] ⅌ bushel. The quality was poor. Oats are still plenty and heavy, as before quoted. Corn is extremely rare and held at enhanced rates, which checks transactions. The day's sales include about 12,000 bushels at [illegible], or thereabouts, for Southern Yellow, and [illegible] for Jersey Yellow; 9 bushels Prime to mixed so far only about 20,000 bushels Western have arrived, the remainder consists of all other kinds in store. There is none afloat.

HAY—There were 500 bales River taken at former rates.

HOPS—Small sales were reported of last year's crop at 20c.@22c. ⅌ lb.

IRON—This day's transactions have been confined to 100 tons Scotch Pig, in lots, at $[illegible], usual terms. Copper is steady and the market languid.

LATH—Eastern rule scarce, and are in fair request at $2 ⅌ thousand.

LEAD—About 140 tons English realized $6 87½, time, [illegible] ⅌ 100 lbs.

LIME—Rockland is quiet, but quoted firm at previous [illegible]

MOLASSES—The market is without any particular change. The day's sales embrace 600 bbls. New-Orleans at [illegible]; and about 80 hhds. Cheaper Cuba at [illegible] ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—No change can be noticed in Crude Turpentine, of which there were sales reported of 500 bbls. at $2 50, ⅌ 280 lbs. Spirits Turpentine is inactive, parties designating about prices; 120 bbls. changed hands, in lots, at [illegible] ⅌ gallon. Tar is quiet and somewhat easier. Common Rosin is moderately active, the sales amounting to 600 bbls. at $1 65@$1 67½ ⅌ 310 lbs. [illegible]

OILS—Whale, Sperm, and Olive are as previously quoted. Linseed is dull, only small request at [illegible] ⅌ gallon. Lard Oil is quiet, though quoted steady.

PROVISIONS—Pork is in rather better request at low prices. The day's sales consist of 1,000 bbls. at $14[illegible] for Old Prime, $15 [illegible] for New Prime, and $[illegible] a contract for 500 bbls. Old Mess was sold at $14[illegible] ⅌ bbl. Dressed Hogs find ready buyers at 6c.@7c. ⅌ lb. Cut Meats are rather inactive and languid. 300 pkgs. were obtained at 6½c.@ 6[illegible]c. for Shoulders, and 8½c.@9c. for Hams, ⅌ lb. Bacon is more inquired for and firmer. The sales reach 600 boxes at 8c. for Short Middles, with 10 and 10½c. for clear long do. ⅌ lb. Lard has not varied. 150 bbls. sold at prices realized [illegible] ⅌ lb. Beef is broken, though not essentially lower. The sales add up 600 bbls. at $6 50@7 00 for Country Prime, $8@$11 50 for Country Mess, $12 50 for Vermont do., $14@$16@18 for repacked Ohio, and $18@$18 for Extra Mess, ⅌ bbl. Prime Mess Beef is in limited demand at $17@$19 ⅌ bbl. Butter is moderately sought for, but with fewer receipts, especially of uniform qualities, which are but sparingly inquired for. The receipts of our native export dairies, prime are held firm, we quote, Ohio 18c.@20c., ordinary to prime Genesee at 16c.@18c., and choice do., Orange County, at [illegible]c. ⅌ lb. Cheese is selling at 11c.@12c. ⅌ lb.

RICE—Is more active, and on the supply to much required, prices exhibit increasing firmness. The day's sales reach 300 tcs. fair to choice at [illegible] ⅌ lb. [illegible]

SOAP—There were 200 boxes Castile disposed of at previous figures.

SUGARS—The supply is inadequate, and though the demand is quiet, the tendency is rather upward. The day's sales include 150 hhds. New-Orleans at [illegible]; 200 Porto Rico at [illegible], and 80 Porto Rico at 8½c. ⅌ lb. Refined continues dull, and prices are nominal, but they [illegible] to be no [illegible]

TALLOW—Was sold to the extent of 1,000 lbs. at [illegible]

WHISKY—Is in fair supply, but the demand is rather [illegible]

FREIGHTS—On the channel of the Atlantic ports, there was but little inclination to do anything, and the business transacted therefore was quite limited. For Liverpool, a small [illegible] was taken at 7d., and a vessel for Havre, 1d. ⅌ bbl. The other ports the adventurers were very [illegible]

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DESIRABLE COUNTRY SEAT FOR SALE.—A country house, with 12 acres of land, all in fruit and [illegible], Kitchen and flower garden, comprising a convenient and commodious Gothic dwelling-house, stable, coach-house, large water butt, &c., over and up-town, poultry yard, ice-house, filled, &c., &c.; with every kind of fruit, and the choicest and most select variety of fruit trees, vines, &c., in full and healthy condition. At the entrance is a convenient and ornamental lodge. The place is situated at College Point, and cannot be surpassed in beautiful scenery or locality, overlooking an extensive view of the Sound, having a large water front, with a fine sandy beach, and within an hour of New-York, by railway or steamboat. The grounds are in a high state of cultivation, and it is seldom that a place presenting so many attractions is offered for sale. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, Planter, No. 9 Metropolitan Bank Building.

SEVENTH-AVENUE—HOUSES FOR SALE.—The [illegible] will be sold cheap and on easy terms—a good [illegible] Apply to JACOB PECARE, No. 163 Hester-st.

A PLAN TO ESCAPE HIGH RENTS.—Will call at 2 New-York (centre) Lots at from $250 to $300; lots in Hale's addition to New-York, at from $70 to $150; Unionville lots, $75 to $150; Hallock's, $100; Flushing, from one to five acres, from $400 to $700 per acre and well-built houses on lots or plots on accommodating terms of payment. For full particulars and plans of buildings, apply to CHARLES B. MILLER, Agent, No. 322 Broadway.

AN ELEGANT COUNTRY RESIDENCE AND FARM FOR SALE.—Situated in the town of Rye, on the New-Haven Railroad, half of a mile west of the Depot at Port Chester. The house is new, two stories high, 40 feet by 32, with a wing 24 feet by 32, built by day-work in the best manner, and contains all the modern improvements, viz., furnace, bath, water, gas, &c., &c., and two thirds of the premises remain free from mortgage. Apply to CHARLES B. DUPUY, [illegible]

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FOR SALE.

FARM FOR SALE BY PURTENANCE.—[illegible]

FARM FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROPERTY.—An excellent farm of 80 acres, in Ohio, 3 miles from Milan, and 9 miles from Milan Railroad, containing 40 acres of good cultivation, with a large house, barn, and all necessary out-buildings, well watered, and within a mile of a village, with a large number of fruit trees, &c. Also, a farm of 100 acres, in Michigan, 3 miles from a village, with a good house, barn, and other buildings, well watered, and in a good state of cultivation. A portion will be given on exchange. Inquire of H. & J. CARPENTER, Tarrytown, Feb. 14, 1855.

FARM FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROPERTY.—An excellent farm of 75 acres, in Ohio, 3 miles from Milan, and 9 miles from Milan Railroad, containing 40 acres of good cultivation, with a large house, barn, and all necessary out-buildings, well watered, and within a mile of a village, with a large number of fruit trees, &c. Also, a farm of 100 acres, in Michigan, 3 miles from a village, with a good house, barn, and other buildings, well watered, and in a good state of cultivation. A portion will be given on exchange. Inquire of H. & J. CARPENTER, Tarrytown, Feb. 14, 1855.

FARM OF 10 ACRES FOR SALE.—In Westchester County, having an extensive view of Long Island Sound, on the line of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad, one mile from Port Chester, and one mile from the Village, near by a station. There is a good house, barn, stable, [illegible] in good order. There is a good [illegible] of fruit, [illegible] cultivation; 4 miles of good road. For further particulars, apply to HALL & CALHOUN, 285 Broadway.

FARM FOR SALE.—Containing 84 acres, 120 miles from New-York, 4 miles from Milford, Pike County, Pa., within a good home market, pay in full for all kinds of produce at the highest rates. The farm is well watered and wooded. On the premises is an orchard and nursery of 3,000 trees. Price $4,000; terms easy; title good. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 9 Metropolitan Bank Building, Place-st.

FARM FOR SALE.—A small farm of 12 acres of superior land in Northfield, Richmond County, S. I., New-Jersey, near the Railroad depot, 12 miles from New-York. The above farm is well watered and wooded. On the premises is an orchard and nursery of 3,000 trees. Price $4,000; terms easy; title good. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 9 Metropolitan Bank Building, Place-st.

FIRST-RATE FARM FOR SALE.—In Hempstead, Long Island, near the village, with an excellent double house, two story and a half high, carriage house, barn, cow-house, and other out-buildings, with about 60 or 70 acres of excellent land, all under cultivation. The farm will be given on easy terms, if desired, or will be sold for $4,000, or 70 acres, $4,200. Immediate possession. Many farms can daily be seen in Hempstead, which is 1 hour from New-York. Apply to JOHN HAROLD, Esq., Hempstead, L. I.

MINERAL LANDS FOR SALE.—The undersigned, owners of large amount of mineral lands in Michigan, in the Copper and Iron Districts, and in Wisconsin, would dispose of an interest in them on liberal terms to parties who would join him in working them. The lands are situated in the heart of the mining district of Missouri; and it is the opinion of every intelligent person who has seen them, that they contain large deposits of lead ore on the property. With the important aid of mining machinery in Missouri, they have yielded about $17,000 worth of lead ore within two years. For information inquire of or address, E. Ewing Lane, Fort Scott, Kansas, or address to OLD MINES, Washington County, Mo.

VILLA ON THE BANKS OF THE HUDSON RIVER FOR SALE.—Eight miles from City Hall, New-York, on the shore, a beautiful country house, in good substantially built, and replete with all modern improvements; Croton water throughout; water closets, bath-rooms, shower-bath, &c. Rent, $[illegible] ⅌ annum. For further particulars inquire of WM. WARD, No. 180 Broadway.

FARM OF 40 ACRES FOR SALE.—In Westchester County, having an extensive view of Long Island Sound, on the line of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad, one mile from depot, and one mile from the City, rent free by a station. There is a good house, barn, stable, [illegible] in good order. There is a good [illegible] of fruit, [illegible] cultivation; 4 miles of good road. For further particulars, apply to HALL & CALHOUN, 285 Broadway.

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$5,600.—PRIVATE RESIDENCE FOR SALE.—A neat, commodious and very pleasant private residence with two full lots of ground in a first class neighborhood, situation on Franklin-av., near Myrtle-av., Brooklyn. The house is in good order, and the grounds tastefully laid out with every variety of fruit-trees, vines, dahlias, &c. Terms easy. DEMOTTE, No. 17 Spruce-st.

$1,500.—A GARDEN FARM FOR SALE CHEAP.—[illegible] acres, new house, small barn and stable, [illegible] Also, a small farm of 12 acres, near Long Island, 32 miles from Brooklyn, and 1 mile from railroad depot. The above farms will be sold cheap, situate on Long Island. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, Planter, No. 9 Metropolitan Bank Building, Place-st.

WILLIAMSBURG PROPERTY.—For sale very cheap, a good, substantial, three-story brick house, with stores, lot 25 by 100, in the Eastern part of the City, [illegible] Also, a large number of other valuable lots, in different parts of the City. A fine situation for a drug store, fancy store, hardware, or any other nice business. For particulars inquire of T. DOYLE, No. 1, 8th-st., near Division-av.

BEAUTIFUL COTTAGE FOR SALE OR TO LET.—At Glenwood, Yonkers, Westchester County, situated on Harlem-st., within one minute's walk of the Glenwood Railroad Station, and having one of the finest views on the Hudson. The house is new, and built in the best style by day's work. Possession given immediately. Most of the furniture, carpets, curtains, &c., can be sold. Inquire of J. C. [illegible] Glenwood, Yonkers, Agent Trustee.

HUDSON RIVER PROPERTY FOR SALE.—[illegible] Hudson River, 1 mile from the Court-house, City of Hudson, 3 miles from the Railroad depot, 2 miles from the River, containing 1 acre, fronting on the River, with a large house, barn, and other out-buildings, well watered, and in good order. Apply to TRAFFICKER, No. 1 Barclay-st., or GEO. R. TAYLOR, Hudson, N. Y.

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FIRST-CLASS BROWN STONE DWELLING IN BROOKLYN.—With water, gas, furnace, and all modern improvements, for sale or exchange for equally valuable number of unimproved property. Apply to J. McCRAKEN, No. 44 Wall-st., in the basement, from 12 to 3 P. M.

TWO LOTS OF GROUND FOR SALE.—In the flourishing village of Glenville, beautifully located on high ground, adjoining the Railroad Depot, Williams Bridge Depot. The lots are 100 feet square and joining each other in the rear and front on two streets; will be sold together or separately, cheap, for cash, or on easy terms. For particulars inquire E. K. FIELDS, No. 128 Grand-st., or to E. WILLIAMS, No. 25 Division-st., N. Y.

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STEAM ENGINE FOR SALE OR TO LET.—One four horse power engine, with boiler and fixtures in complete order, for sale or to let. Apply at the office immediately. Inquire of E. C. LAMPSON, in the rear of No. 20 Elizabeth-st., 2 doors from Grand-st.

SECOND HAND HEARSE FOR SALE.—Suitable for single or double horses; also, a genuine front wheel spring, with shifting top, and one set of single and one set of double harness; also, two black cloth horse covers, with hoods, &c. To be seen at No. 123 Duane-st.

BAY HORSE FOR SALE.—A superior bay horse, 7 years old, 15½ hands high, is offered for sale by the subscriber, perfectly sound and kind, and suitable for a family horse; is now in Columbia County.

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GUN FOR SALE.—A fine second-hand double barrel Brock Gun. Apply to JOHN MULLIN, No. 16 Ann-st.

GAS! GAS! GAS!—*To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:* Sir: I read in the *Herald* a few days since a paragraph referring to the enormous prices which the gas company charge for gas, proposing that the people of Gotham should meet and take the matter into their own hands. Meetings have been called at various times and places, but, owing to the general want of information on the part of gas consumers in such matters, such meetings have proved abortive. I, in common with Mr. Editor, to enlighten you and the public on this important matter, in order that a remedy may be applied at once, if desired; and there never was a more propitious time than the present, when that monstrous monopoly, the Manhattan Gas Company, are soliciting our Legislature for permission to extend the amount of their capital stock. Two Millions of Dollars, which never has, never will, never could, at any price, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars of it, paid the property of the gas stockholders, the stock being now worth at least 40 per cent above par. The New-York and Manhattan Gas Companies have arrogated to themselves a fixed, and allowed to be a fabulous, and which, if not, should be, a fabulous profit, viz., 10 per cent, or 10 per cent, or 10 per cent, for their gas, [illegible] than the cost of manufacture, and more than the cost of coal, which they produce from the best of gas coal, at a fabulous price

AUCTION SALES.

Henry T. Leeds, Auctioneer.

TWENTY-SEVENTH FIRST CLASS EVENING SALE OF BEAUTIFUL AND CHOICE SHEETS OF PIANO-FORTE MUSIC.—By J. F. BRADLEY, Jr., at his Auction Rooms, No. 1 Park-row, on WEDNESDAY, March 21, at 12 M., at the above place, the Twenty-Seventh First Class Evening Sale of Beautiful Music, viz.:

Consisting of about 1,000 pieces, comprising The entirety more of the celebrated works of the most distinguished composers, including Mozart, Beethoven, Haydn, Weber, Rossini, Bellini, Donizetti, Meyerbeer, Auber, Herold, Adam, Balfe, Wallace, Thalberg, Henselt, Doehler, Leopold de Meyer, Herz, Kalkbrenner, Moscheles, Osborne, Prudent, Pixis, Czerny, Hertz, Kalliwoda, Lanner, Strauss, Gottschalk

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NEW-YORK CITY.

Auction Sale at the Navy-Yard.

By order of the Navy Agent, yesterday at 12 o'clock there was a grand auction sale at the Navy-Yard of condemned stores and clothing, relicts of the U. S. steamships Supply and Lexington, from their recent return from the Japan Expedition.

At the hour designated the vicinity of the Store-house, where the sale was to take place, presented a medley group of expectant purchasers. They were mainly employés in the Navy-Yard, and the mid-day hour was chosen as being their leisure hour, and affording consequent opportunity for purchase.

A few of unequivocal Helvatic descent thronged the group, and in their restless eyes and quick side-way movements of the head betrayed their innate eagerness to seize a possible opportunity to turn a penny. There was an occasional corner grocerman with lager bier accent. As a matter to be remarked perhaps as a phenomenon, we noticed only one Mrs. Caudle present.

At 12 o'clock precisely the auctioneer's hammer was raised.

The category was a most tempting one, embracing almost every variety of articles appertaining to naval supplies—barrels of pork, ditto of beef, ditto of flour, with an indefinite sequent list of minor substantials, as rice, tea, sugar, et id omne genus—followed with their important abettors to inner Celtic comfort, whisky, mustard and pickles. Added to this followed a most heterogeneous variety of outside comforts, denominated, in naval parlance, by the unique term *harness*, better known, however, as clothing. This variety comprised blue pea, monkey and round jackets, blue cloth and duck trowsers, blue flannel over and under shirts, silk handkerchiefs, shoes and pumps. Interspersed were a quantity of bed blankets of mingled white and blue—some sweet blue flannel, navy buttons, thread, soap and tobacco. A few heaps of old timber and wood, and the ribs of the frigate *Sabine*, were subjoined. Closing the prolonged category was an ox in good condition.

The sales began with the ox, showing that it does sometimes happen that the last is first. He ran, not the ox but the hide, quickly from $20 to $03, at which figure he was struck off. Pork, there being no new bidder—reached $10 per barrel—beef $9 25 per barrel; nineteen packages of bread of 200 pounds each, brought $5 12 per package. The bread looked rather *hard* after its sea voyage. In the "old" clothes department, the sales were very active. The shoes were *solid*, exceedingly *low*. Undershirts went under the overshirts. The pants were inexpressibly cheap. The whisky went down readily. At 1 o'clock the sale ended with the ribs of the frigate *Sabine*, which afforded poor picking enough to the purchasers.

The sales occur three and four times a year.

Geographical Society.

Last evening, the regular meeting of the Geographical Society took place at the University. Rev. Dr. Hawks in the Chair.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Milze, promising to read a paper on the "History and Statistics of the Post-Office," on the 1st of April next.

The Chairman was sorry to say that a paper on the "Indians of Darien," by Mr. Watts, was illegible, and would not be read in his unavoidable absence. He would allude to the discovery of certain ruins in New-Mexico, and to several others from Sir John Barrow and the officers sent out on the Arctic expedition. The Chairman said he could not vouch for the authenticity of the statement; it was copied from a California paper.

The locality of the ruins was indicated on a magnificent map of the North American Continent, 20 feet by 15, or ten miles to the inch. It is situated ten miles from John's River, just on the boundary line between Utah and New-Mexico.

The Chairman observed that he had great doubts as to the authenticity of the mighty details he had read. He argued that there was no analogy between the ruins of New-Mexico and those to his pen described.

Mr. Buchanan said he had already come to the same conclusion, yet "false in one thing, false in all." Mormon authority was exceedingly doubtful. Troglodyte caves have no resemblance to the ruins of Petra, and none the attempt was made to connect the description of American caves with the authenticity of the Bible, the character of such descriptions being questionable.

The Chairman then read some letters in reference to the marsh other Dr. Kane, addressed to Mr. Greenell, kindly furnished by the Society, and which were pleasingly to show the good feeling of the officers of the English Navy in connection with the attempts made to rescue Dr. Kane from his perilous position. Among these a letter from Capt. Ommanney to Lady Franklin was read, stating that no fear ought to be felt for Dr. Kane; that he would probably return in 1855. He recommended a steam vessel to be sent; the risk of being so lost. A screw steamer of 90 horse-power, and 20 men to be dispatched, with one ton ordered, and an 18 months' provisions. The party were directed to leave in May, go to Disco, there purchase dogs, and secure Danish guides. Off Dudley Digges, or Carey Islands, something might be heard of him. In the spring of 1857, taking opposite sides of the Strait, they would overtake Kane, if within a radius of 300 miles.

A note was read from Capt. McClure addressed to Mr. Barrow as to the proper provisions to be furnished to the Arctic Expedition. The list includes a plan of Esse's stove fuse. Spirit lamps and wicks be characteristic as ridiculous when fingers are frozen, recommending "drunk" as preferable.

Another letter, Capt. R. A. Inskeepville, observed that there was no difficulty in a temperature and one was not at point indicated might be obtained. He thought the vessel ought to leave early in June. There are several excellent harbors and anchorages about Upper Navick, a capital spot for provisions remains in small Melville Bay is well open. A good supply of Arctic ducks may be obtained there, as well as an intelligent Esquimaux. Other details were furnished.

Mr. Henry Grinnell said the *City of Boston*, a paddle of 500 tons, was about to be sent, and also a sailing vessel.

Mr. Buchanan regretted the absence of Mr. Watts, and made some observations on the Atrato River, running north into the Bay of Urabe, in the Gulf of Darien. A correspondent had informed him of the possibility of forming a ship canal at this point, and he hoped at the next meeting to present a report on the subject. It had been communicated to him by his informant, a man of considerable property, and who stands high in New-York, that the region is more abundant in gold than the richest portions of California.

The Chairman said that if the report were only half correct in its relation of the Atrato district, the discovery would be in surmounting public or private enterprise and capacity.

Mr. Peale observed that the exploration of the Atrato was conducted by a company in New-York. The enterprise shadow of the subject was undeniable, although some exaggeration was possible. Women and children would frequently go out and bring in from their washing $15 or $20.

Mr. Buchanan said there had been no exaggeration. A new Yorker from Carthagena, regularly carried champagne (Heidsieck) Foreigners and Negroes extracted very largely all the gold removed, and it would be easy to realize enough gold and platina on the spot to pay the entire expense of the construction of the proposed canal.

Mr. Lawson indicated a spot south of Fort Leavenworth, in Kansas, where he had seen the ruins, he supposed a few caves, and would furnish some portrait matter at the next meeting. It would be different or later the west growing country of the world. Could not state the prevailing winds; the dews were not so heavy as on the Des Moines River.

A member suggested that a copy of the map—40 feet by 15—be sent to the World's Fair at Paris, and another copy be sent to the Hermann Society, with a view to induce the British public what is doing in the construction of railroads.

Mr. Lawson hoped the gentlemen (of more importance than those of Poland) would be carefully laid down.

The Chairman detailed the circumstances of cave under which the map had been constructed—as to the force of the country, its desert regions, and other illustrations. It was not contended it was absolutely accurate, but still the best extant map of the Continent.

The Society then adjourned.

Singular Case.

A man, who said he was an Italian, and named Antonio Gonvanoutte, was brought before Justice Osborne, at the Mayor's office yesterday afternoon, charged with passing a counterfeit $5 bill of the Bank of Indiana to Gregory T. Barker, No. 1 Astor House, in exchange for some purchase. When the prisoner was brought in he refused to remove his cap, but it was shortly removed by force, when the appearance of the top of his head was peculiar. He was searched, and found on the person the bank of the bank from up into a purse, and of which was concealed beneath the cap, to which he clung with great tenacity. The counterfeit bill was secured by the officer at the City Office, and was subsequently by the Doctor at the Office, and was found to be of the counterfeit class. It is believed he has been in the habit of dropping them if in the night time in female attire, the better to elude detection in passing counterfeit money. The operant was committed for examination.

The Children's Aid Society.

Acknowledge the following receipts from Feb. 1 to March 1:

J. H. K., Cleveland, O., $1; W. A. Spencer, subscription, $10; W. L. Spencer, donation, $20; M. de Rohn, per Miss Moore, $25; Julia Beekman, 50 cents; Ladies' Industrial Society of Cong. Church in Birmingham, $25; Cash, $25; some little children, $2 50; Elizabeth D. Kirkland, Northampton, $15; B. P. East, Pittsfield, $50; A. P. H., $10; a friend, 50 cents; a friend, $20; Harriet A. White, from 4 children, $1; R. $20; Chas. Butler, balance of subscription, $20; E. J. Woolsey, $100; S. E. Blake, Clinton, N. Y., from her Sunday School class, $2 50; East Windsor Hill Sabbath School, $7; M. Livingston, for food, $25; M. Starr, Rockford, Ill., $25; Children of Escopus, $5; S. Phoenix, $2; J. H. D., Clarendon Hotel, $5; Contribution of Young Ladies of Spingler Institute, $10; From a friend in the country, $10; J. A. Clark, Union City, Michigan, $24; O. S. Woodhull, $5; W. Mackey, $15; Friend in Massachusetts, $5; Sunday School in Naugatuck, per G. Spencer, $10; From a friend, $2; do, $5 cts.; J. A. Clark, Union City, $15; Cash, $50; J. Sampson, $25; D. Simpson, $50; David C. Demarest, $5; Cash, 10 cts.; Walter Rutherford, $15; L. M. Rutherford, $15.—Total, $716 10.

Mississippi and Brass.

A Mississippian, named Clark, while promenading Broadway yesterday, suffered himself to be invigled into a mock auction establishment, where he took a fancy to a beautiful brass watch, which he bought for the sum of $12. He was about leaving the store, highly elated with what he fancied to be an excellent bargain, when he was tapped on the shoulder by the proprietor, who informed him that the watch he had just bought was a brass one, but that he had a real genuine gold one, which, in consideration of the hard times, he would exchange for the one of brass and $20 additional. The Mississippian took the bait and the proposition and left, but soon afterwards discovered that his second purchase contained more brass than the first. His chivalry was, therefore, most naturally excited, and he hastened to the Mayor's office for redress. Officer Clark was dispatched to the swindling establishment, and succeeded in procuring a return of the $40 for the disconsolate Southerner.

A Hard-Hearted Father.

A bright-eyed little boy of about seven years, was brought to the Mayor's Office yesterday by Officer Fisher, of the Twenty-second Ward, in search of a home. The little fellow was dressed uniquely. In one hand he held a bundle of clothing, and in the other a greasy cap, a tin trumpet, and a wooden money-box, given him by some sympathizer. He said his name was John Houston; that he resided in Thirty-seventh-street, that his mother was dead, and that his father had turned him from home. He was found on Wednesday night, wandering about the streets in the Twenty-second Ward, by an officer, who took him to the Station-house. The poor little fellow seemed entirely unconscious of his position; he seemed perfectly happy and answered readily, and with childish archness, such questions as were put to him. He was sent to Randall's Island. His father, (a rag-picker,) was ordered to be brought before Justice Osborne, to account for his cruel conduct to his offspring.

Female Pickpockets.

Two young women, named Sarah Porter and Fanny Ridgley, were brought before Justice Osborne yesterday, charged with picking the pocket of Mrs. C. M. Hall, in Broadway. Mrs. Hall and her sister made affidavits to the effect that they were standing in front of a store window in Broadway, near Reade-street, when the prisoners crowded around them, and one of the ladies dected Sarah putting her hand in Mrs. Hall's pocket, and extracting her porte monnie therefrom. The pickpocket was instantly seized, and succeeded in passing the stolen property to her companion, Fanny. Two officers took the girls in custody, and they were both, in default of $300 bail, sent to prison to await examination.

Fire.

A two-story building in Eleventh-avenue, between Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh-streets, occupied as a lager bier saloon and ten-pin alley, was, with nearly all its contents, destroyed by fire about 5 o'clock yesterday morning. The building was owned by a Mr. Neuman, residing in Allen-street. Loss about $300; covered by insurance in the Stuyvesant Office.

The Complaint-Book.

Nothing new or startling was entered on the Mayor's Complaint-Book yesterday. They were nearly all of dirty streets, non-removal of ashes, and such like. Complaints of this kind rather increase than diminish.

☞ Instances of fraud and shameful extortion committed by slop-shop tailors and furnishing stores on poor countrymen, are being daily disposed of at the Mayor's office. No less than three such cases were brought to the attention of his Honor yesterday, who at once took measures to obtain justice for the parties aggrieved.

☞ Attention is being directed by the authorities to the frequent instances of careless blasting, so dangerous to property and life, in the upper part of the island.

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☞ The law of fixtures and other property, partaking both of a real and a personal nature, comprising the law relating to annuitants to the freehold in general, as also emblements, charters, heir-looms, &c., with an appendix containing practical rules and directions respecting the removal, purchase, valuation, &c., of fixtures between landlord and tenant, and between out-going and in-coming tenants, by Joseph Freake, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, from the latest English edition, with notes and references to American authorities. By William Hogan, Counselor-at-Law, second edition, just published, price $2, and for sale by Banks, Gould & Co., No. 144 Nassau-street, New-York, and No. 479 Broadway, Albany, N. Y.

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☞ "The Forged Will or, the Rival Heirs," a thrilling original tale, is printed entire in this week's *True Flag*. The same number also contains a beautiful story for the ladies, biographical and humorous sketches, wit, miscellany, &c., &c. Sold by all the newsmen. Dexter & Bro., wholesale agents.

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Gas, Gas.—New styles of gas fixtures for the Spring trade, of both modern and antique designs, just out. Wholesale buyers particularly invited to call at the Great Manufacturing Depôt of Archer Warner & Co., No. 276 Broadway. Also, the best portable gas works for country dwellings, churches and factories in this country.

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Choice and Popular Music at No. 333 Broadway.—Horace Waters' extensive Catalogue of Music, at the reduced prices, is now ready, free of charge. The most liberal terms granted the trade on Music. Agents wanted in every town throughout the United States to sell his Music and Pianos.

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Blake's Patent Fire-Proof Paint.—See under head of Paints.

NEW-JERSEY.

The Explosion on Bergen Point.

There have been no more deaths of the persons injured at the explosion of the fireworks manufactory at Bergen Point on Wednesday. An inquest was held yesterday upon the remains of Louis Kuehne and Henry Kleiber, victims of this catastrophe. The verdict of the Jury was that the cause of their death was accidental, but the result of carelessness on the part of some of the workmen. It is yet presumed that the explosion was caused by friction resulting from the two rapid filling of a rocket. The funerals of the deceased were attended yesterday at the Methodist Episcopal Church at Greenville.

It is thought that, with one or two exceptions, none of those injured will survive. They are suffering in great pain.

Jersey City Politics.

The Democrats of the Third Ward held their primary meeting on Wednesday evening, and nominated John H. Low and Wm. Pearsall for Aldermen; Patrick Corrigan and E. Hora for Chosen Freeholders, and Jesse Pratt, Jr., John Marks, Thomas D. Jordan and John M. Elliot for Justices of the Peace. There was some disturbance, but nothing serious.

The Ingraham Book Sale in Philadelphia.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

Philadelphia, Tuesday, March 20, '55.

Being in attendance at the "Ingraham Sale," which is now taking place at the auction rooms of Mr. Thomas & Sons, we have thought it possible that some items in relation to it might be of interest to your readers. This sale comprises the largest portion of the Library of the late Judge Ingraham, which is especially rich in books relating to this country, comprising many printed by Franklin. Nearly all the different works have additions in the shape of autograph letters, newspaper cuttings, portraits, &c., inserted by the late owner, and thereby increasing their value very materially. On entering the salesroom this morning, we found gathered together by far the largest collection of "Biblio-maniacs" that it has ever been our fortune to meet. New-York is well represented by Dr. Cogswell, of the Astor Library; Dr. Griswold, the author; two well known buyers who have left the "City Hall" for a "short run;" Norton, of the *Literary Gazette*, and several other gentlemen whose countenances are more familiar than their names. We also noticed Burnham of Boston, Bindolfe of Richmond, and many buyers residing in this City. The sale was opened by the clear voice of Mr. Bell, who rapidly placed the merits of each book before the company. The prices first were unprecedented, and from the strong desire to secure everything American, we judge that "Know-Nothingism" is in the ascendant even among book buyers. I add the prices of some of the most important works sold to-day:

No. 51. Volume of curious old pamphlets. $12.

No. 66. *Drayton's South Carolina.* $9. Bought by Mr. Norton.

No. 87. *Ray's Stamp Act.* New-York, 1766. $8. Mr. Bartlett.

No. 108. *Bland Papers.* $10.

No. 127. *Pownall's Administration of the Colonies.* Dr. Franklin's copy. London, 1768. $10. Mr. Norton.

No. 224. *Romer's History of Florida.* New-York, 1775. $9 50.

No. 267. *Bouquet's Expedition Against the Ohio Indians.* Bought by Mr. Corwin. Philadelphia, 1764. $32. Mr. Corwin, New-York.

No. 285. *Whitfield's Journal.* Printed by Franklin $11 50. Mr. Polock, of Philadelphia.

No. 296. *Cicero's Cato Major.* Printed by Franklin. $21. Mickley.

No. 374. *John Randolph's Letters, Autographs, etc.* 8vo. $41. Norton.

No. 414. *Wm. Penn's Great Love of Liberty of Conscience, with Autograph.* London, 1670. $42 50. Mickley.

No. 509. *Franklin's Pennsylvania Gazette.* 1 vol. $20. Burnham, of Boston.

No. 591. Nine old Almanacs, 1758 to 1796. $17 50. Norton.

The above comprise only a small portion of the works that brought what might be considered as extravagant prices compared with their original cost or intrinsic value; if desirable will furnish you with more details as the sale proceeds.

Truly yours, KINDERHOOK.

The Steamer United States—Frightens the Cubans—Offered for Sale, &c.

Mobile Bay, Wednesday, March 14, 1855.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

The steamship *United States*, John Graham, Commander, arrived here this morning from Havana; had a pleasant run from New-York to Havana in five days, where we found everything in a high state of excitement, more particularly regarding this steamer, on account of the numerous reports that had been circulated against her, charging her as a filibuster. The Government thinking her in fact the flag-ship of the expedition, instantly dispatched officers from the Custom-House to examine her in every point, and kept her closely guarded by placing men on board in stations during our stay in port.

Our Captain at once proceeded to pay his respects to the Captain General of Cuba, and after conversation with him assured him she was anything but what they took her to be, and offered him the noble ship for sale as a protection of the Queen of the Antilles, which proposal was favorably entertained, and may be accepted on her return to Havana. That is, if Captain Graham does not succeed in forming his anticipated project of a line of steamers between New-York, Mobile and Texas. He has now two fine steamers ready and well suited for the trade, and will have completed, on the 1st of April next, another, and one of the most elegant steamers afloat, particularly adapted to the Mobile trade on account of her draft of water and superb and well ventilated accommodations. This one he also proposed to put on this line, if the people of Mobile will extend to him the right hand of fellowship, and aid him in the enterprise.

We were accidentally detained in Havana by the pilot's running the ship hard upon a bank in the harbor, but with the assistance of the crews of the United States steamer *Princeton*, English sloop-of-war *Vesta*, and the Spanish Government, we finally succeeded in heaving her off without the slightest damage.

On Sunday, 11th inst., we passed the Morro, and proceeded to sea, when, after a rough passage of 54 hours, made Mobile Light. Business on the island and in Havana exceedingly dull. Militia are stationed in all parts of the city, armed and equipped.

When we left the wharves were filled with people, to witness the departure of the *United States*, and we her cleared from within the Gibraltar of Cuba—the Morro.

The Military Tribunal brought in their decision on Saturday evening, the 10th inst., against Pirre, Cabaleta and Pintel, which was death for the three. The general opinion is they will be banished yet.

Accept this, in haste, from yours, &c.,

WM. T. PERKINS, Purser steamship *United States*.

Basis Principles of the American Party of Virginia.

From the Richmond Whig.

Determined to preserve our political institutions in their original purity and vigor, and to keep them undulterated and unimpaired by foreign influence, either civil or religious, as well by home fashion and home demagogism; and believing that an American policy, religious, political and commercial, necessary for the maintenance of these ends, we shall observe and carry out in practice, the following principles:

1. That the suffrages of the American people for political offices, should not be given to any other than those born on our soil, and reared and nurtured under the influence of our institutions.

2. That no foreigner ought to be allowed to exercise the elective franchise, till he shall have resided within the United States a sufficient length of time to enable him to become acquainted with the principles and imbued with the spirit of our institutions, and until he shall have become thoroughly identified with the great interests of our country.

3. That while no obstacle should be interposed to the immigration of all foreigners of honest and industrious habits, and all privileges and immunities enjoyed by every native-born citizen of our country ought to be extended to all such immigrants, except that of participating in any of our political administrations; yet all legal means should be adopted to obstruct and prevent the immigration of the vicious and worthless, the criminal and pauper.

4. That the American doctrine of religious toleration, and entire absence of all prescription for opinion's sake, should be cherished as one of the very fundamental principles of our civil freedom, and that any sect or party that believes and maintains that any foreign power, religious or political, has the right to control the conscience or direct the conduct of a human, occupies a position which is totally at war with the principle of freedom of opinion, and which is mischievous in its tendency, and which principle, if carried into practice, would prove wholly destructive of our religious and civil liberty.

5. That the Bible in the hands of every free citizen is the only permanent basis of all true liberty and genuine equality.

6. That the intelligence of the people is necessary to the right use and continuance of our liberties, civil and religious, hence the propriety and importance of the protection and fostering of all means of moral and intellectual culture, by some adequate and permanent system of public education.

7. That the doctrine of availability, now so prevalent and unwitting in the nomination to candidates for office, is open disregard of all principles of right, of truth, and of justice, is essentially wrong, and should be by all good men condemned.

8. That as a general rule, the native Americans should be preferred by the authorities in the power of appointment to office, as one made necessary to be observed in the power of appointment thereto; and that executive influence and patronage should be never perverted and patiently guarded.

9. That the sovereignty of the States should be exercised in the exercise of all powers not expressly delegated to the Federal Government, and which may not be necessary and proper to carry out the powers so delegated, and that this principle should be observed and kept sacred in all organizations of the American party.

10. That all sectarian intermeddling with political or political institutions, coming from whatever source it may, should be promptly resisted by all such means as seem to us necessary and proper for this end.

11. That whilst the perpetuity of the present form of the Federal Government of the United States, is actually necessary for the proper development of the resources of this country, yet the principle of non-intervention, both on the part of the Federal Government and of the several States of the Union, in the municipal affairs of each other, is essential to the peace and prosperity of our country, and to the well being and permanence of our institutions, and, at the same time, the only reliable bond of brotherhood and union.

12. That Red Republicanism and Licentious indulgence in the enjoyment of civil privileges, are as much to be feared and deprecated by all friends to well regulated government and true liberty, as any of the forms of monarchy and despotism.

13. That the true interests and welfare of this country, the honor of this nation, the individual and private rights of its citizens, conspire to demand that all other questions arising from party organizations, or from any other source, should be held subordinate to any in practice made to yield to the great principles herein promulgated.

Interesting Correspondence between a Protestant Young Man and a Catholic Young Lady who were Engaged to be Married, but Quarreled about their Religion.

From the Cincinnati Catholic Telegraph.

The *Catholic Telegraph* is permitted to publish the following letters, "with the consent of the young lady interested." The lady was educated at an Ursuline Convent, and the marriage adjourned by the annexed documents was to have taken place on New Year's Day.

"——, Dec. 1, 1854.

"Dearest ——: The mutual regard which I am so happy to know exists between us, and the exchange of sacred vows which I ardently expect will be the result before long, give me courage to consult with you on a subject which is of the first importance, and one which my relatives are pressing on my attention. Amongst the obstacles to happiness, there are none so likely to produce discontent as a want of union in religious sentiments. If we offer our devotions at the same altar in religion, as well as love, you must be aware, dear ——, that it will cement in a wonderful degree our hearts. Do you think, then, that you could worship with me in the Presbyterian or any Protestant Church? In our happy country, all religions are alike, and your good sense must assure you that forms of faith are of small importance, provided our lives be virtuous. Moreover, dearest, we must not overlook, in marriage, those less sentimental but more solid considerations which have reference to the prosperous condition of worldly comfort and respectability. There is, as you are aware, a very deep-rooted antipathy to the faith in which, without any fault of yours, you have been educated, and it would seriously interfere with my successful pursuit of business, were I to contract so close an intimacy with a person professing Roman Catholicism. Should you resolve, however, as I have no doubt you will, to worship the same God only in another church, we will both acquire a sympathy and regard, the consequence of which will be truly desirable and most propitious to our welfare. I know this, in a matter like this, you will wish to consult your friends, though their consent, you know, is not at all imperative; yet, in order that you may do so with freedom, I give you my full consent to make known my sentiments privately or publicly, as you may think proper. Though you may call this a business letter—it is so different from our usual correspondence—and laugh at my seriousness, yet I shall expect your answer with great anxiety. In the meantime my heart is ever yours, and your image is daguerreotyped upon it indelibly by love's own warm smiles, and with his fidelity to the original.

Believe me, dearest ——, to be ever yours in life and death.

——, Dec. 3, 1854.

Dear ——: I received your letter just ten minutes since, and my judgment tells me to answer at once, without any consultation, because none is needed. When you asked me to give you my heart and its affections, I consented, because I admired and respected and *loved* you; but I did not at the same time agree to surrender to you my soul and its eternal hopes. Had you asked me to make such a sacrifice as that, I would have refused not only you but an archangel, could any such bright spirit propound a like question to me. Remember, dear ——, that religion with us Catholics is not an opinion at all—it is far more, even, than a logical conviction—it is faith, which is grand and powerful in proportion to the divinity in which it trusts. Such is my idea of faith, but I do not pretend to be a theologian. Now, dearest ——, I could not, without a horrible contempt for myself surrender God to win a husband even as accomplished as you, and the only one to whom I have plighted vows of love. I would be guilty of an enormous crime, if I were even to pretend to a conversion in which my understanding and heart had no part. Every idea of honor which I have learned, forbid such a prostration of my character. You could not even respect me yourself, could I be so easily induced to desert my hopes of heaven. Could I be faithless to God and faithful to man? I know, dear ——, that you did not agree with me in my religious sentiments, but I never thought of requiring from you such a heavy obligation as you would impose on me.

But I must argue the question with you; for though you are a lawyer, I am not afraid of entering into a little controversy with you; so now look grave, for I am going to lecture you. You say, dear ——, that "in our happy country all religions are alike." Well, granted; why then can't you relinquish yours and join mine? Wouldn't that be as reasonable as for me to relinquish mine and adopt yours? But you place it on the ground of expediency—on the unpopularity of our church. Well, you need not change yours; you would do wrong to abandon your creed and unite with mine, unless you firmly believe in it. As for the smiles of worldly prosperity, though I would not uselessly disregard them, yet a true-born American, with a proper estimate of her honor, would prefer the rags of poverty, sooner than clothe with silks a dishonored and violated conscience. Your own good sense and enlightened mind will convince you, my dear ——, that I am right; and I am confident that your reply, which I will expect with anxiety, as you do this, will remove this thin mist from the bright eyes of love, whose light I hope will ever beam gracious in our lives.

Yours truly, ——

——, Dec. 5, 1854.

Dear Miss ——: I must candidly acknowledge that your letter has greatly disappointed me. I thought that your superior intelligence had risen above all those antique and musty opinions, whose proper period was the middle ages and their proper locality in Spain. I have now and then observed among Catholics, educated like yourself, a strange fashion of ascending above the realities of life on the airy pinions of what you call faith. But such theories do not advance a professional man—do not roof a house or supply the necessities, much less the elegancies of a home. I thought on this account you would readily enter into my views, but you refuse to do so. Well, I will abandon my request. I am too much devoted to you, to allow even a difference like this, serious and most important as it is, to weaken the love which unites our hearts. You ladies, and you are the very first amongst them all, dear ——, contrive occasionally to introduce such exalted notions into your beautiful heads, that to remove them would be as easy as to attempt to chain the zephyrs, or rob the violet of its perfume. Well, then, in conclusion I must inform you that I have read your letter to the family. It would be improper to deceive you on the subject of my parents' opinions. Their attachment to the Presbyterian faith is great; and the idea of union with a Catholic, even with you, whom they know so well, and so highly respect, darkens their countenances and distresses me very much. They have, however, renewed their consent, but they require us to be married by a Presbyterian clergyman. This, dear ——, I agree with them in asking as a right, because it is a duty I owe them not to distress their hearts nor do violence to their religious principles, by permitting the ministry of a Catholic clergyman. As your church, dear ——, does not consider such marriages invalid, you can have no objection to this arrangement, which will unite us never again to part in life. Understand, dearest, that I am compelled to consider the ministry of a Protestant clergyman *only* indispensable to our union.

Your devoted ——

——, Dec. 12, 1854.

——, ——, Esq.

Dear Sir: I shall not ask you to "do any violence to the religious principles of your parents," nor will I consent to have my offered to mine. When I consented to marry you, I was not aware that your father and mother, with "their religious principles," were included in the agreement. The case which you take pat to offend your parents, cannot be greater than that which I must observe not to offend God. The tone of your letter betrays the spirit of your love. It is not a very spirit, as poets and lovers have described it, but a spirit tainted sorely with theme. I think, Sir, as I am still free, I had better remain so. You will find some one who will readily consent not to "do violence to the religious principles of your parents." If I consented, Sir, to be a slave before marriage, by surrendering my rights of conscience, I feel quite satisfied that I would deserve to be something worse than a slave after marriage. I had little thought that this would be the finale of so many pleasant days, words and letters. If you should feel it as much as I do, (for I case not to conceal my emotions) you can have recourse to that world which you fear so much for consolation. As for me, I will try to forget a love which was so unworthy that it refused to be appeased except by the sacrifice of honor and conscience.

No more from Yours, &c.

A Heartfelt Sentiment Inopportunely Expressed.—A large and brilliant party was given in fashionable circles a few weeks since, not a hundred miles from our metropolis, and the festivities were kept up to so late an hour that the fair hostess became completely wearied out. Some fifteen minutes after the lady supposed the last of her guests had left, she walked into the supper room, where the gas had been turned down, and gave vent to her wearied spirit by ejaculating—"thank God, they are all *stuffed and gone!*" "Not quite all," squeaked out a voice, "I have returned to find an ear-ring which I supposed was dropped while at the supper table!" The hostess' chagrin can be better imagined than described, when on turning round she discovered one of her nearest fashionable neighbors!—*Boston Post.*

Stating an Ultimatum.—The ladies of Corpus Christi, Texas, met recently, in solemn conclave, and adopted the following resolution: "*Be it Resolved*, That we will in no way countenance or associate with any young man, or permit our friends or daughters so to do, if in the habit of patronizing Mexican fandangoes."

MARRIED.

In this City, on last Monday evening, March 19, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. James Millett, of No. 86 Broome st., Mr. George R. Palgrave, of Greenwich, Conn., to Miss Sarah Jane Williamson, of this City.

In this City, on Thursday morning, March 22, by Rev. A. B. Campbell, at the bride's residence, Mr. T. James Sturgeonsky to Miss Harriette L., daughter of Stephen H. Seldmore, all of this City.

At Lafayette, N. J., on Thursday evening, March 22, by Rev. Joel Cambell, George E. Hunt, of Westchester County, N. Y., to Catharine J. Hopkins, daughter of David Hopkins, Esq., of the former place.

☞ New-Jersey papers please copy.

DIED.

In this City, on Wednesday evening, March 21, Hila Brown, wife of John C. Morrison, aged 35 years.

The friends of the family, of her mother, Christian E. Morrison, and of her sons-in-law, Adam W. Spies, Minor Robbins, William Foot and Pierre Humbert, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, No. 87 East 26th-st., on the afternoon of Saturday, the 24th inst., at o'clock.

In this City, on Thursday, March 22, of croup, Mary Esther, only daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Cheshire, aged 3 years and 4 months.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services, to-day, (Friday,) at 12 o'clock M., at No. 158 East 24th-st. The remains will be taken to Oyster Bay for interment.

In this City, on Wednesday, March 21, Mrs. Eliza Wilson, in the 68th year of her age.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services, at the house of her brother, Rev. Dr. Measeley, No. 37 Amity-st., this (Friday,) day, at 2 o'clock P. M.

In this City, on Thursday morning, March 22, Mr. Joseph Hill, in the 72d year of his age.

His friends and relatives, and those of his son, John J. Hill, and his sons-in-law, John Haurigy, Ezra Dod and William Ryan, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, corner of Rivington and Orchard-st., at 2 o'clock, this (Friday) afternoon, 23d inst.

In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, March 21, Alice C. Byers, aged 6 months, daughter of the late Major General Stockton, of New-York.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend her funeral, at the Church on the Heights, (Rev. Dr. Robbins,) this day, (Friday,) 23d inst., at 3 o'clock P. M.

In Jersey City, on Wednesday, March 21, Jane, twin daughter of Charles H. and Jessie Murray, aged 1 year, 5 months and 22 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, on Sunday, 25th inst., at 12 o'clock P. M., from No. 60 York, corner of Vesey-st.

At Morristown, N. J., on the morning of Wednesday, March 21, Samuel Allen, in his 70th year.

The funeral services will take place at the First Presbyterian Church, at Morristown, on Saturday morning. His friends, as well as those of his sons, A. B. Allen and E. L. Allen, of this City, are respectfully invited to attend. Trains leave foot of Cortlandt-st., for Morristown, at 9 o'clock A. M.

At Bergen, N. J., on Wednesday morning, March 21, Mary Matilda Paxton, daughter of Edmund H. Paxton, aged 19 years and 4 months.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her father in South Bergen, N. J., near Newark Plank-road, on Sunday next, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

At Kent, Litchfield County, Conn., on Tuesday, March 20, Abigail Frances, wife of Peter W. Mills.

In this City, on Wednesday, March 21, after a long and severe illness, Mrs. Rebecca, wife of Simeon Raymond, Sr., aged 64 years.

The relatives and friends of the family, and those of her sons, Simeon and George H. Raymond, her sons-in-law, Samuel Crocker and John C. Lankford, also the members of the Mariners' Baptist Bethel and First Baptist Church, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, No. 48 Clinton-st., on Friday, 23d inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., without further notice.

In this City, on Wednesday, March 21, after a protracted illness, at the age of 37, Mary Euzelie Adelia De La Fontery, wife of Charles Alphonse Leonhardt De La Forest, Consul of France at Boston.

The friends of her husband and of her father, Pierre Flandin, are requested to attend the funeral service, at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, 12th-st., on Friday, at 10½ o'clock A. M.

In this City, on Wednesday morning, March 21, Mr. Geo. O. Denslow, aged 34 years.

The friends and friends of the family, the members of Benn Lodge, No. 226 I. O. of O. F., and of Keystone Lodge of Free Masons, and of the Fire Department, are invited to attend the funeral, on Friday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, from his late residence, No. 12 Eldridge-st.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Markets See Sixth Page.

Sales at the Stock Exchange, March 22.

$6,000 Virginia 6s	90½	100	Cumberland Coal Co.	24½
100 do.	90½	100	do.	24½
9,000 do.	90½	100	do.	24½
3,000 Missouri 6s	94½	100	do.	24½
20,000 do.	94½	100	do.	24½
600 City 6s, '73	97	100	do.	b10 24½
6,000 Erie Bonds, '71	90½	100	do.	24½
5,000 Erie Bonds of '81	94	400	New Creek Coal Co.	24
5,000 do.	94½	50	New York Cen. R. R.	93
16,000 do.	s10 94½	50	do.	93½
5,000 do.	94½	50	do.	93½
9,000 Erie Bonds of '76	97	50	Clev. & Toledo R. R.	79
5,000 do.	s3 97	50	do.	79
6,000 Hudson Conv. Bds.	78½	275	Erie Railroad	47
2,000 Ill. Cen. R. R. Bds.	82	100	do.	s10 47
5,000 do.	b8 82½	100	do.	47½
5,000 do.	142 82½	100	do.	47½
5,000 Ill. Cen. R. Frld. Bds	75	50	do.	b10 47½
1,000 N. Y. Cen. R. R. Bds.	94½	100	Harlem Railroad	22
1,000 New York Cen. Pf's 161	99	50	Reading Railroad	94½
1,000 Chi. & R. Isld. RR. Bs 90½		100